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### A Javanese Love Song.

Far off my love is lying; hear it not ye zephyrs,
Scarcely dare I breathe my thought, for should ye hear it
Ye would haste to woo her'—she is only mine.

How fair she is! Ye birds, hear not, for swiftly
Would ye fly to her, see her whom I may see not;
Ye would sing to her for whom my lyre is mute

Lo, where she lies! No, no, start not so hastily
Ye flowers—should ye know where my love is lying
Ye would go mad with jealousy, grow wan and die.

She sleeps. Oh, cease, you amourous clouds, what, would you
Roam through the trembling air to find and love her?
I dare not breathe her name—mine is she only.

### Maud Muller.

Maud Muller on a summer's day
Raked the meadow, sweet with hay.

Beneath her torn hat glowed the wealth
Of simple beauty and rustic health.

Singing, she wrought, and her merry glee
The mock-bird echoed from his tree.

But, when she glanced to the far off town,
White from its hill-slope looking down,

The sweet song died, and a vague unrest
And a nameless longing filled her breast—

A wish, she hardly dare to own,
For something better than she had known.

The Judge rode slowly down the lane,
Smoothing his horse's chestnut mane.

He drew his bridle in the shade
Of the apple-tree, to greet the maid.

And ask a draught from the spring that flowed
Through the meadow, across the road.

She stooped where the cool spring bubbled up,
And filled for him her small tin cup,

And blushed as she gave it, looking down
On her feet so bare, and her tattered gown.

"Thanks!" said the Judge, "a sweeter draught
From a fairer hand was never quaffed."

He spoke of the grass and flowers and trees,
Of the singing birds and humming bees;

Then he talked of the haying, and wondered whether
The cloud in the west would bring foul weather.

And Maud forgot her briar-torn gown,
And her graceful ankles bare and brown;

And listened, while a pleased surprise
Looked forth from her long-lashed hazel eyes.

At last, like one who for delay
Seeks a vain excuse, he rode away.

Maud Muller looked and sighed: "Ah, me!
That I the Judge's bride might be!

"He would dress me up in silks so fine,
And praise and toast me at his wine.

"My father should wear a broadcloth coat;
My brother should sail a painted boat.

"I'd dress my mother so grand and gay,
And the baby should have a new toy each day.

"And I feed the hungry and clothe the poor,
And all should bless me who left my door."

The Judge looked back as he climbed the hill
And saw Maud Muller standing still.

"A form more fair, and a face more sweet,
Ne'er hath it been my lot to meet.

"And her modest answer and graceful air
Show her wise and good as she is fair.

"Would she were mine, and I to-day
Like her, a harvester of hay;

"No doubtful balance of rights and wrongs,
Nor weary lawyers with endless tongues,

"But low of cattle and song of birds,
And health and quiet and loving words."

But he thought of his sisters proud and cold,
And his mother vain of her rank and gold.

So, closing his heart, the Judge rode on,
And Maud was left in the field alone.

But the lawyer smiled that afternoon,
When he hummed in court an old love-tune;

And the young girl mused beside the well,
Till the rain on the unraked clover fell.

He wedded a wife of the richest dower,
Who lived for fashion as he for power.

Yet oft in his marble hearth's bright glow,
He watched a picture come and go;

And sweet Maud Muller's hazel eyes
Looked out in their innocent surprise.

Oft when the wine in his glass was red,
He longed for the wayside well instead;

And closed his eyes on his garnished rooms,
To dream of meadows and clover blooms.

And the proud man sighed, with a secret pain:
"Ah, that I were free again!

"Free as when I rode that day
Where the barefoot maiden raked the hay."

She wedded a man unlearned and poor,
And many children played round her door.

But care and sorrow, and child birth pain,
Left their traces on heart and brain.

And oft, when the summer sun shone hot
On the new mown hay in the meadow lot,

And she heard the little spring-brook fall
Over the roadside through the wall,

In the shade of the apple-tree again
She saw a driver draw his rein;

And gazing down with timid grace,
She felt his pleased eye read her face.

Sometimes her narrow, kitchen walls
Stretched far away into stately halls;

The weary wheel to a spinner turned,
The tallow candle an astral burned.

And for him who sat by the chimney fire
Dozing and grumbling o'er his pipe and mug.

A manly form at her side she saw,
And joy was duty and love was law.

Then she took up her burden of life again
Saying only, "It might have been."

Alas for maiden, alas for Judge,
For rich repiner and household drudge!

God pity them both! and pity us all,
Who vainly dreams of youth recall.

For of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest are these: "It might have been!"

Ah, well! for us all some sweet hope lies
Deeply buried from human eyes,

And in the hereafter, angels may
Roll the stone from its grave away.

### A GREAT OPERATION.

"Say, John,—didn't that woman go away crying?"

"She was sniffling a bit," answered John Gleddin slipping around from behind his counter.

"I should call it crying," said George Austin, the first speaker. "What was it?"

"Why—fact is, old fellow, she pawned a brooch here a few weeks ago, and just now she wanted to redeem it; but the time was more than up, and I couldn't do it."

"Couldn't do it? Why not?"

"Why—bless your soul! The brooch was pearls and garnet in one of the finest settings I ever saw—the pearls pure oriental, and the garnet like a crimson ruby."

"And how much had you advanced on it?"

"Ten dollars."

"And it was worth—"

"Fifty, at least."

"And very likely, it was a keepsake."

"So she said. But it isn't safe to believe the stories of the poor creatures that come to pawn jewelry. She had her needs and I have my rules. She knew the rules before she left the brooch, and she had no business to come back for it after the time was up."

John Gleddin and George Austin were cousins. George's mother had been a sister to John's father; but the mother and the father were both dead, and John and George were orphans. George had learned the printer's trade, and was at present engaged upon a daily paper, while John had worked his way into a pawn-broker's office; and, though only five-and-twenty, had learned all the tricks of trade, that can extort money from the poor and the needy. But John Gleddin did not do business under his own name. The man before him had used the name of "Joshua Slurr," and this same name John used. "Joshua Slurr" appeared beneath the three golden balls over the door; and it was also upon the business cards; and furthermore, all his receipts and pawn tickets John signed "*J. Slurr.*"

"I don't know, John," said George who was his cousin's junior by two years, after a season of reflection, "but I think I would rather plod on at my type-case than be in your business."

"Pshaw! You're soft-headed. I tell you, George, I am making money. You have no idea of the profit."

"For instance," said George, "you have made perhaps twenty dollars on that brooch."

"Aye, —thirty."

"Well, I wouldn't have the weight of that poor woman's sobs and tears on my conscience for ten times the amount. So you can see just how I feel."

"Pshaw!"

Shortly afterward George Austin went away to the printing-office and as it was well into the evening John made preparations for closing up. He had put most of his jewelry into the safe when the door of his office was opened, and an elderly gentleman entered—a good looking man he was, and very respectably dressed, though his garb was much worn, and considerably soiled, and smelled strongly of salt water.

"Is the proprietor in?" asked the gentlemen.

John nodded assent.

"Mr. Slurr, I think?"

John repeated his assenting nod.

"I am caught in a tight place," said the gentleman with a grim and ghastly smile, as though a pawn-broker's shop was about the most uncomfortable place, he could have selected in which to escape from his tightness. "I have just landed here in your city, and discover that my luggage, by the most ridiculous oversight on my part, has gone on to New York. In London I took a bill of exchange on Boston, and not only that, but a few five and ten-pound notes on the Bank of England, which I had with me, are by this time in the distant metropolis. So I am forced (another grim, ghastly smile) to have recourse to an establishment where credit may be laid upon a ready collateral."

John Gleddin bowed politely, and said he would be happy to be of service.

Then the gentleman took from his pocket a morrocco case upon opening which he exposed a gold watch. John took the watch, and turned to the gas-jet, and upon examining it, he found it to be a masterpiece of one of the most celebrated Swiss makers—a stem winder, full ruby jewelled, of most exquisite adjustment and finish. He knew that the first cost of that watch had been not less than three hundred dollars in gold.

"How much did you want on this?" he asked returning the watch to the case.

"I want enough to get me safely to New York."

John started off upon the many and extreme risks of his business; but the gentleman stopped him abruptly.

"I ask you to run no risk on my account. I do not propose to sell the watch. I only wish to leave it with you as security for a very small sum. I have another just like it,—I bought them as presents for two friends of mine, and would not sell them for ten times their value. Fifty dollars will answer."

John tried to cough down the idea of advancing so much, but the cough stuck in his throat.

"For how long do you want the fifty dollars?"

"For—say—two weeks,"

Never mind the various dodges attending the transaction on the part of the broker. Suffice it to say that he at length counted out fifty dollars to his customer and took the watch; and the "trade," as he termed it, stood thus: at any time within two weeks the gentlemen could redeem the watch upon the payment of sixty dollars.

"Rather steep interest," said the elderly gentlemen, with a smile far more grim and severe than any which had preceded it.

John would have again explained the enormous risks of his business, but the customer would not listen.

"What name?" said John, holding his pen over his entry-book.

"Put it down *Simon Snibbs*, if you must have a name."

So John put it down, and then he put the watch away, and the customer departed with the fifty dollars.

After the man had gone John Gleddin took out the watch and looked at it again. His eyes sparkled eagerly. Suppose any thing should happen to prevent the prompt redemption of the valuable pledge? The thought thrilled him through and through.

The days passed,—and a week passed. The days passed again, and another week had sped by.

At length the elderly gentleman returned, and asked for his watch.

"What name?" asked John professing to have forgotten.

"Snibbs—*Simon Snibbs*."

"Ah, yes. I remember. Let me see."—And he looked over his book.—"Really, Mr. Snibbs, you must have made a mistake. I have no watch of yours."

"How, sir," cried the customer in blank amazement. "Did I not leave with you a valuable gold watch as security for a certain sum which I borrowed of you?"

John smiled blandly.

"Not exactly as you put it, Mr. Snibbs. If you will refresh your memory, you will recollect that I *bought* the watch,—that for value received, you gave me a regular bill of sale,—with the proviso, however, that if, within two weeks from the date thereof, you should pay to me the sum of sixty dollars in current funds, the watch should become again your property. The two weeks expired yesterday, sir!"

"But—sir! Will you—"

John put up his hand reprovingly.

"There is no need of going into a passion, my dear sir, you see just how the matter stands."

From a towering rage, the old man descended to argument and explanation. He told how he had been detained in New York by an unavoidable accident, and how he had embraced the first possible opportunity to call for his watch.

"I had not worried much," he said, because I had not thought that any man could be consumately mean and cold-bloodedly heartless and vile as to rob me upon such a pretext."

At this John waxed wroth, and ordered the man to leave his office.

And the old gentleman, evidently fearing that he should be led to the commission of some foolish outrage if he remained longer within the villainous influence closed his lips tightly together, and went away.

On the afternoon of that very day, John Gleddin sold the watch to an agent of a Philadelphia house for two hundred and seventy five dollars.

"Hi yah!" he cried, as George Austin dropped in during the evening. Plod on at your type case, old fellow, plod on!"

"What's up, John?"

"The greatest operation I ever made,—two hundred and twenty-five dollars in pocket at a single turn of the die—interest on fifty dollars for two weeks? What d'ye think of that?"

"If money were man's chief end," said George soberly,—"if money were the sole source of happiness,—I should say you were on the road. But you know my sentiments, and we won't argue the point. And, besides, we haven't time. I came to let you know that Uncle Moses has got home."

"Uncle Moses!" cried John, clapping his hands.

"Yes. He has but just arrived, and called on me this afternoon. He wants you and I to come and see him at the Tremont this evening."

"Of course we'll go and see him," said John starting at once to put away his valuables. "The old fellow must be rich as mud, and you and I are his only relatives."

"He is certainly rich," responded George quietly, "and we are his only near relatives; but I don't think of that. I only remember how I used to love him in the old days, when my mother was alive and he used to cheer and comfort her, and used to play with me under the great trees."

"And I remember," added John, "how he used to tell me that I ought to have my ears boxed because I robbed bird's-nests, and stole apples and peaches from the neighbors' gardens. But that was a long time ago. I have forgiven him for all that. I say George, if he should take a fancy to us, we're in luck, ain't we? You won't say anything about—about—"

"About what?"

"I was going to say about my business; but never mind. Only those who have been behind the scenes know the crooks and turns."

"You need not fear than I shall say anything to your disadvantage, John. You'll find Uncle Moses just one of the jolliest and kindest hearted men you ever saw."

And as John had locked his safe, and finished his toilet, the two cousins set forth.

Uncle Moses Gleddin had been brother to John's father and to George's mother, and for many years he had been away in Europe engaged in responsible agencies for American houses; and it was known that he had amassed a fortune. He had married in youth; but his wife had died leaving no children, and he had never married again; so that the expectant nephews were not without foundation.

At length the young men reached the hotel, and as George had been there before he led the way.

"Uncle Moses," he said upon entering the room where a genial faced, smiling, portly, elderly gentleman arose to receive him, "this is John.—John, this is Uncle Moses."

John looked, and turned pale as death.

Uncle Moses looked, and flushed like a scarlet rose.

"How—this—John?"

"Of course it is John, sir," said George, in answer.

"And not *Joshua Slurr?*"

"O," cried George, thinking that by some accident Uncle Moses might have seen John's face beneath the pawn broker's sign, "that is the name of the man who was in business before him."

"And," added Uncle Moses severely, "if I mistake not, it is the name under which he now does business for himself."

John Gleddin could not deny it, for he saw, in his Uncle Moses, the man from whom he had so meanly taken the valuable watch. He tried to say something, but the words choked him; and he stood like a whipped cur before his relative. Finally he mustered up courage to ask the old man to forgive him.

"I may forgive you," answered Uncle Moses, "but I can not take you into my confidence just yet. I think you had better go home and sleep upon it. Let us both sleep upon it. I would rather not talk of it now. The wound is too fresh."

John Gleddin was no more anxious to step than his uncle was to detain him; and without further words he took his departure. Once more at the office he thought of the watch he had sold, and of the two-hundred and twenty-five dollars profit he had made; and the conviction was forced upon him that his great operation was likely to prove a very heavy settler upon his greater expectation.

And so it ultimately proved. Uncle Moses could not take the dishonest, unscrupulous nephew to his confidence, nor to his love; nor could John muster the impudence to claim the tender regards of one whom he had so meanly and so unmitigatedly wronged and abused. The result was that the true-hearted printer ere long left his type setting to assume the wealth which Uncle Moses deemed him worthy and well qualified to enjoy. What the pawn-broker may gain in time we cannot say; but if he ever regains the confidence he has lost, it will be when he has shown by his works that he regards truth and honor as of more value than the sordid profits of such operations as have heretofore soiled his hands.—*Ledger.*

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FISHING FOR SPONGES.—The sponge fishery is most actively carried on during December, January, and February, for at other seasons the places where the sponge exists are overgrown with seaweeds. The storms during November and December destroy and sweep away the thick marine vegetation and leave the sponges exposed to view. The collection of sponges is not very productive in summer, as it is confined to the operations carried on with diving apparatus which can only be used on rocky and firm bottomed places, or to the success of native fishermen who wade along the shores, and feel for sponges with their feet among the masses of seaweed. The sponges thus collected by the Arabs are also of inferior quality, owing to the small depth of water in which they have grown. Sponges are either obtained by spearing with a trident, diving with or without the assistence of an apparatus, and by dredging with a machine somewhat similar to an oyster dredge. The Arab fishermen, principally natives of Marknah and Jerbah, employ boats called sandals, manned by four or seven persons, one of whom only is the harpooner or spearman, while the others manage the sails, &c. The depth of the sea in which the Arabs fish is from fifteen feet to thirty-five feet. Although the Greeks are most expert divers, the majority of them use the spear. They employ small and light boats, just sufficient to carry a spearman and an oarsman. The boat is rowed gently along, while the spearman searches the bottom of the sea by means of a tin tube of fourteen inches in diameter by nineteen inches in length, at one end of which is placed a thick sheet of glass. This tube is slightly immersed in the water and enables the fisherman to view the bottom undistured by the oscilations of the surface. The spears used by the Greeks are shorter than those employed by the natives and Sicilians, but with wonderful adroitness they are enabled to reach the sponges covered by sixty feet of water. They hold in their hands from three to four spears, and dart them so quickly and with such precision, one after the other, that before the first has had time to disappear under the surface the second strikes its upper extremity, and thus gives it additional impetus to reach the sponge aimed at. A new sponge is reproduced within a year whenever one has been removed.

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BE CAREFUL.—The fatal result of taking an overdose of hydrate of chloral, in the case of the late Mr. Jacob Pecare, a lawyer of New York city, should act as a warning to physicians not to permit patients to have such a deadly drug within reach during moments of great pain. Several instances are on record in which death has occurred from oversights of a similar nature. The direct effect of hydrate of chloral, even when taken in small quantities, is to produce a sort of recklessness as to consequences, which no effort of will seems able to control. Particularly has this been noticed in the treatment of neuralgic patients. There is really no reason why the sale of this drug should not be subject to the same restrictions as arsenic or strychnine; for although it is not likely to be used to so great an extent as a means of committing suicide, it is altogether too dangerous to be obtainable without the order of a regular medical man.

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THE IRON FAMINE.—Notwithstanding immense mines and facilities for working them, the production is infinitely less than the demand. It requires fully one-half of all the American iron produced to build our railroads and keep them in repair. The United States has now 65,000 miles of completed railroads.

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There is one thing that can always be found—and that's fault.

### The Murder of the Buffalo.

Few persons probably know how rapidly the American bison is disappearing from the Western plains. At one time it is said they were to be found everywhere west of Lake Champlain and the Hudson River, but for many years they have been extinct east of the Mississippi River. The war of destruction, however, appears to go on more bravely in proportion as they are driven into narrower and narrower limits, and it is not unlikely that the fate of the European bison, which once abounded in the woody wilderness of Germany, northern Gaul and neighboring parts of the Continent, but which is now to be found alone and rarely in the forests of Lithuania, will soon be theirs.

Some idea of the extent of this ruthless slaughter may be formed from the fact that twenty-five thousand bison were killed during the month of May south of the Kansas and Pacific Railroad for the sake of their hides alone, which are sold at the paltry price of $2 each on delivery for shipment to the eastern markets. Add to this five thousand—a small estimate—shot by tourists and killed by the Indians to supply meat to the people on the frontier, and we have a sum total of thirty thousand as the victims for a single month.

If the bison were a wild and savage animal—if to kill one required any especial skill or bravery or nerve, there might be some justification for this enormous slaughter. But the fact is that the bison is an exceedingly mild-dispositioned animal. His looks indicate ferocity and malignity, but his nature does not correspond with his appearance. Even in the breeding season, when the common bull is frequently dangerous, when the stag and the elk attack everything that comes in their way, and when most animals are pugnacious, the bison will go by on the other side to avoid a man. It is only when he is wounded by a blundering aim or irritated by a persistent pursuit that he shows fight enough to make hunting him enjoyable. Besides, the Indian ponies are trained to dodge his onset, when maddened beyond endurance, so that the hunter who can manage to stick to his horse has little to do but to sit still and keep firing until he can make a fatal shot.

Every one remembers how Prince Alexis, under the leadership of General Sheridan, participated in this "sport," to the intense gratification of his royal father and to the profit of the special correspondents. It is doubtful, however, whether even a royal precedent can justify this kind of so-called hunting. However this may be in the Eastern States, the following paragraph from the letter of an army officer shows that in the Western States this kind of "sport" is estimated at its true worth, while, at the same time, its reference to the number of persons who are following the Russian Princeling's example confirms the apprehension that the American bison will soon become as fabulous an animal as the dodo:

"'To shoot buffalo' seems a mania. Men come from London—cockneys, fops and nobles—and from all parts of the republic to enjoy what they call sport. Sport! when no danger is incurred and no skill required. I see no more sport in shooting a buffalo than in shooting an ox, nor so much danger as there is in hunting Texas cattle."

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### Story of an English Aristocrat.

The Marquis of Huntington is son of the Duke of Devonshire, one of the richest of our nobles. They say that the Duke allowed his son, when the latter was yet under age, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year as college pocket-money. The Marquis developed early a fine aristocratic taste for pleasure, and for acquaintance of the opposite sex. To win him from these occupations he was made a member of the Government, and I believe that while playing at statesmanship he has really sown his wild oats; indeed, he is now nearly forty years old. The story is, that in a department of which at one time he was chief, the employes petitioned for increase of pay. The Marquis, who is very good-natured, received a deputation and heard their complaints. He inquired the amount of each man's salary. He counted it over mentally, so many hundreds a year, and estimated the cost of so many pairs of shoes, so many cigars, so many bouquets, etc., in the season. He saw that the thing really could not be done for the money. The expression that began so overspread his face encouraged one of the deputation to ask whether his lordship did not think it hard for a man to have to live and support a wife and children on such an allowance. The Marquis started and looked puzzled, and the question was repeated. "Good Heavens," exclaimed the Marquis, "you don't mean to say that you live on your salaries?" A new light had broken in upon him. He had thought he was addressing the scions of wealthy families, who complained that their official stipend would not meet their requirements in gloves and opera tickets. He learned in utter amazement that they actually were respectable and educated Englishmen in the public service, who were compelled to live on their weekly pay.—*London Letter.*

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A JEWISH FESTIVAL.—The Jewish festival of Shabuoth, the Feast of Weeks, is a noted season among the Israelites. All the synagogues and public places of worship are decorated with flowers, in accordance with the usual custom. Originally this was a festival of thanksgiving for the abundance of harvest, which lasted seven weeks and closed at this time, and, therefore, also called "the feast of firstlings," has lost its original Biblical character, but is now enhanced by being regarded as the memorial day of the revelation on Sinai. Though the public confirmation of Jewish children on Shabuoth is of recent growth, and has yet been instituted by the reform school, yet its impressiveness and lasting influence on the young mind has been generally recognized.

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EARLY HAYMAKING.—"Rural," of th Chicago *Tribune*, says there are at least two reasons for cutting hay early, before the seed has matured so as to germinate, for then we have the manure full of grass-seed, which is not always pleasant, and the hay will be less nutritious. We may not get as many pounds of hay to the acre, but this is more than made up in quality. Then the roots have not spent all their forces, and an after-growth springs up to protect the grass-roots from being dried up by exposure to the sun and wind. Many meadows are spoiled in this way. The after-growth gives a large amount of autumn pasturage that is most desirable.

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PUBLIC DEBTS.—The public debt of the United States is about three-fifths that of Great Britain, yet the two nations pay about the same amount of interest. The receipts of the United States the last fiscal year were $383,000,000; those of Great Britain in the same time $372,705,000; a surplus of $91,000,000—six times that of Great Britain. The U. S. government annually costs $166,500,000 beyond interest charges, Great Britain's costs $224,500,000. All the pensions of the British government amount to $5,000,000; U. S. pension accounts foots up $34,000,000.

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Josh Billings says there seems to be four styles of mind: First, them who knows it's so; second, them who knows it ain't so; third, them who split the difference and guess at it; fourth, them who don't care which way it is.

### The Texas Cattle Ranchos.

I had an opportunity to study a little the manners and customs of the Texas cattle drivers, says a letter writer. They do everything on horseback; and the lasso—or *riata*, as it is more commonly called here, lasso being properly a verb, I find, is a sort of third arm to them. It was desired to single out a half dozen horses from a herd of 25 or 30 confined in a stable-yard. So the horses were let out of the yard, cornered by two herdsmen in a fence corner, and then one man, fixing his eyes on the horse he wanted, dashed into the herd, flung his *riata*, and unfailingly secured the prize. In one case, the horse, used probably to the operation—for these animals were broken—saw when he was "wanted," and actually stood still to be caught. A vaquero came in, after a night's watch over cattle, slipped off his horse at the door, tied the animal, and in a minute was fast asleep, standing up and leaning his head on the saddle. His nap lasted half an hour, and was not broken apparently by the noise about him. A horse not thoroughly broken had attached to its headstall a broad leather band; when the owner wanted to mount, he slipped this band over the horse's eyes, and removed it as soon as he was securely in the saddle. The cattle range is divided into ranchos, each of which has a foreman, responsible to the proprietor for the cattle on the place. These men receive, I am told, from $1,200 to $1,800 per annum, and their food and necessary traveling expenses. Under them are vaqueros. The cattle range as they please over an enormous extent of land; when market cattle are wanted, or when it is thought expedient to drive a band to new pastures, a foreman sets out with from 12 to 18 men, on horseback, accompanied by a wagon which bears provisions and the blankets of the men, as well as a cook. Three horses are taken along for each man, for the business is not easy. They separate, and hunt up the cattle they want—each rancho has its distinct brand—and all drive toward one point. Meeting there, which may be 100 or 150 miles from their destination, they combine forces to drive the whole herd slowly to the place where they are wanted. This watchfulness lasts both night and day; and men are up from 12 o'clock at night until 6 the next night, one half keeping watch all night; and all of course being on horseback all day. The men receive $30 per month, and own their saddles and accoutrements.

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PECULIAR CHRISTIANITY.—The Greeks appear to be making strong efforts to convert the Jews to Christianity. On Sunday, the 5th of May, according to the *Levant Herald*, a party of drunken Greeks seized upon a poor polish Jew, in an obscure part of Galata, sneared his beard and hair with tar, and set fire to them, inflicting cruel and probably fatal injuries upon their victim. At Smyrna there has been a display of Christianity on an unwonted scale. A report having been circulated that a Christian child had been killed by the Jews as a sacrifice at their passover, a fearful onset was made on these unhappy people. In vain did the priests from the church-pulpits proclaim that the child in question had simply been drowned by accident. Every Jew met with was horribly maltreated; and after some hours of indecision, during which it was vainly hoped that sober sense might prevail, the excited Greek mob, with all the rascality of the town in its train, made for the Jewish quarter, sacked the houses, murdered the inmates, and committed other acts of brutal atrocity. Many Jews at length turned on their assailants, and then the fury of the Greek rabble knew no bounds. Neither women nor children were spared; and these scenes of violence continued day after day, until the Jewish quarter was converted into a pandemonium of pillage, rapine, and murder. At length the governor interfered. Troops were called in, and Christianity was brought under some sort of control.

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A BUTTER TREE.—Tallow trees, milk trees, pitcher trees and bread trees are found in various parts of the world. They are no longer wonders. But a new discovery in a part of Africa not frequently visited by travellers has been announced that quite eclipses anything in the tree line. It is a tree yielding butter. According to M. Chevaul, the product consists of a small proportion of aromatic principle, olcine and stearine, very much like mutton tallow. At 120 degrees Fahrenheit it is liquid becoming turpid at 100, with globules floating through the mass. It is a poor substitute for butter, yet there is an approximation so that an amateur would pronounce it strong—the regular boarding house article. Salt improves, but under no system of treatment can it be introduced to take the place of that churned from milk. When heated slightly the new product is easily converted into soap with a solution of potash or soda, and this becomes inodorous. Probably this new article may have some future commercial value in the manufacture of saponaceous compounds and mixing with ordinary butter, on the principle of putting sand in sugar.

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GRAIN STORAGE.—Some idea of the magnitude of our trade in grain may be gathered from the following figures, representing the capacity for grain storage in some of the most important cities. Prior to the fire, Chicago had seventeen granaries, with an aggregate capacity of 11,580,000 bushels. This number has been reduced by the fire to eleven establishments, with facilities for elevating and storing about 8,580,000 bushels. Milwaukee has fifteen elevators, one, the largest in the world holds 1,700,000 bushels. Buffalo has thirty one granaries, capable of holding 7,415,000 bushels. Brooklyn, representing the port of New York, has at its Atlantic docks and elsewhere, a storage capacity for 12,750,000 bushels. The foreign export of flour and grain from the port of New York for the four years from 1867 to 1870 inclusive, amounted to 5,711,439 barrels, a sufficient quantity to sustain for a year a population of more than 13,000,000 persons, and if spread to the depth of one foot it would cover more than 2,500 acres.

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CRUEL SON.—A case reported in Birmingham (England) papers says that one Histin was brought before a magistrate in that city, charged with habitual drunkenness and treating his mother—who supported him, as well as herself, by her labor—with such violence as to endanger her life. On the particular occasion complained of he had come home furious with drink, and after threatening to shoot her and to run her through with a knife, had stabbed her in the arm, and thrown her into the fire. The magistrate sentenced him to three months' imprisonment only for this rough recreation.

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THE WOMAN SLAUGHTER.—We knew a man once, (he lives yet; we hope he will read this paragraph) who prayed night and morning, preached on Sundays, and was a rich farmer besides. His wife milked the cows in all sorts of weather, cut most of the wood, built the fires, churned and "economized," and died of consumption in the prime of life. He put a weed on his hat, tried to resign himself to the "dispensation of Providence," when he ought to have been tried for womanslaughter in the first degree, and sentenced to chop wood and milk cows in the rain all the rest of his life.—*Rural New Yorker.*

### What to Do in Case of Sunstroke.

Now that the true nature of the disease is known, the method of treatment becomes most obvious and we learn not merely what to do, but also what not to do. As heat is the cause of the symptoms common sense points to the abstraction of the heat in some way as the mode of cure. And here again vivisection comes into play. I have taken an animal, comatose, paralysed by heat, apparently dying, and plunged it into a bucket of cold water. The temperature of the sufferer at once rapidly fell until it reached the normal point, and just in proportion that of the water in the bucket rose. As the animal cooled, its respiration became more regular, the unsteady whirr of the heart was stilled, by and by the eyelids were lifted and out from the glassy eye came the beams of new life. If the period of unconsciousness had been short, the animal was in a few hours apparently as well as ever; if long the animal would recover sufficiently to recognize its surroundings and to struggle for release but when allowed to escape, the paralyzed limbs and the slow imperfect progression indicated the profound injury the nervous system had received, and in a few hours the animal would be dead. The lessons of these experiments are too plain to be overlooked. What ever is to be done in this disease is to be done quickly. Clinical as well as experimental observation enforces this doctrine. There should in such cases, be no waiting for the doctor. The remedy is so simple, the death so imminent that the good Samaritan passing by should save his brother. The good Samaritan must, however, have a cool head to be useful. Not every man that falls unconcious on a hot day has sunstroke. There is fortunately one criterion so easy of application that any one can use it. Go at once to the fallen man, open his shirt bosom, and lay the hand upon his chest; if the skin be cool, you may rest assured that, whatever may be the trouble, it is not sunstroke. If, on the contrary, the skin be burning hot, the case is certainly sunstroke, and no time should be lost. The patient must be carried to the nearest pump or hydrant, stripped to his waist, and bucketfull after bucketfull of cold water be dashed over him until consciousness begins to return, or the intense heat of the surface decidedly abates.—*Dr. Wood.*

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### The Telegraph.

When the telegraph was first invented, Mr. Cornell sought an interview with Mr. Bennett of the Herald and solicited his attention. He was met by the very frank statement from Mr. Bennett that he was opposed to the success of the telegraph. In Mr. Bennett's own words, he "had at great expense established his expresses in such manner that he could beat all of his rivals, and if the telegraph were once successfully established he would lose his advantage." Within two years, Mr. Cornell had the proud satisfaction of demonstrating to Mr. Bennett the value of this then new mode of transmitting important news. During the year 1845, mainly by the efforts of Theodore S. Faxton and his associates of Utica, a company was organized for building a telegraph line between New York and Buffalo. The section between New York and Albany was built under the superintendency of Mr. Cornell, and was opened for business at the end of 1846.

Gov. Young's annual message was transmitted to the Legislature the first Tuesday of January, 1847, at noon. At that hour a *Herald* messenger with a copy of the message, left the capital on horseback provided with relays of fleet horses at short intervals. Riding at breakneck speed all night, he reached White Plains (to which point the Harlem Railroad was then in operation) the following forenoon, where a special locomotive was in waiting to bring him to the City. What was his surprise to meet at this point newsboys selling copies of the New York *Express* of that morning containing Gov. Young's message in full, which had been transmitted by the despised telegraph. Thus Mr. Bennet's enterprise was at a single blow completly annihilated, and the telegraph was successfully established in spite of his indifference.

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A FATHER'S ADVICE TO A BRIDE.—Said a young husband whose business speculations were unsuccessful, "My wife's silver tea-set the bridal gift of a rich uncle, doomed me to financial ruin. It involved a hundred unexpected expenses, which, in trying to meet made me the bankrupt I am." His experience is the experience of many others, who, less wise, do not know what is the goblin of the house, working its destruction. A sagacious father of great wealth exceedingly mortified his daughter by ordering it to be printed on her wedding cards, "No presents except those adapted to an income of $1,000." Said he, "You must not expect to begin life in the style I am able, by many years of labor to indulge; and I know of nothing which will tempt you to try it more than the well intentioned but pernicious gifts of rich friends." Such advice to a daughter, is timely. If other parents would follow the same plan, many young men would be spared years of incessant toil and anxiety; they would not find themselves on the downward road, because their wives had worn all of their salary, or expended it on the appointments of the house. The fate of the poor man who found a linch pin, and felt himself obliged to make a carriage to fit it, is the fate of the husband who finds his bride in possession of gold and silver valuables, and no large income to support the owners gold and silver style.

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LOVE, JEALOUSY AND POISONING.—There is something very touching in the details of the Harrisonburgh, Va., poisoning case, now on trial at that place. There was love and apprehension and jealousy on the part of Mrs. Cameron, the deceased wife. Outraged by her husband's attentions to another woman, she had on many occasions prophesied an early death to herself, and the defense will attempt to show that she threatened suicide and carried her threat into execution. Oppressed with some mysterious foreboding, one month before her decease she purchased a quantity of white cambric and had it made into grave clothes for herself. Her conduct when taken sick seems to entirely negative the theory that she poisoned herself. She did not want to die; prayed earnestly for life, and showed the greatest regret at parting with her children. With her last breath she charged her husband with having mixed poison with the salts which she had taken. From the testimony of the witnesses who were present when she died, she showed every symptom of strychnine poisoning.

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SHARP.—An illustration of the sharp Yankee's propensity for bargaining, and ever-ready inclination to settle a question by a "swop," is given by a Connecticut man's proposition for the settlement of the Alabama claims and the Cuban difficulty, as follows: That the British Government give to the United States in satisfaction for the indirect damages the fortress of Gibraltar, and that the United States then offer it to Spain in exchange for the Island of Cuba.

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A WELL-CONTESTED pigeon-shooting match between Captain Bogardus, of Illinois, and Ira Paine, was shot at Fleetwood Park, Paine staking $1,200 to Bogardus' $1,000. The match was at a hundred single birds, and was won by Paine, with a score of 80 to 79.

### A California Farm.

It was my privilege while at Santa Barbara, says a letter writer, to visit a representative or model farm. Perhaps an account of the visit may not be uninteresting, and at the same time may convey a better idea of the resources of the country than any general description. Guided by a New York lady who has found renewed health in this genial clime, we drove up the beautiful valley ten or a dozen miles, to where a wide opening in the coast range of hills gave an extended view of the bay. Entering a large gate at our right, we passed along a well-made avenue at the side of a grove of magnificent live oaks to the residence, visible miles away, of Colonel W. W. Hollister, and one of the great wool-growers of this region. His huge barn with cupola had afar off suggested to me the idea of another "mission." This I found to be a mission of comfort and modern convenience to the domestic animals its spacious rooms welcomed, contrasting strangely with the low adobe cells, the worthy padres provided at their missions for their domestics—the untutored Indian. The house was embedded in a mass of roses, carnations, verbenas, geraniums, calla lilies, fuchsias, gladiolus, and other rare flowers, while its interior indicated the culture and taste of the occupants.

We were cordially greeted by Colonel Hollister, the millionaire of Santa Barbara County, whom I found a plain, hearty, earnest man—a gentleman in farmer's dress. His cheerfulness and enthusiasm won instant respect, and his frank hospitality made us perfectly at home. Passing out to the site of the mansion soon to be erected on the crest of a beautiful knoll, commanding a charming view of sea and valley and mountain, he remarked: "Nineteen years ago, driving my herds across the plains, I left them, came up and sat on this spot for an hour. I then resolved some day to possess it. I had to wait sixteen years, never once losing sight of it. Three years ago it came into market, and in fifteen minutes I bought it!" This spirit is indicative of the man, and he evidently intends to make the farm an illustration of what California can produce.

The present house proving too near the bay for his children, a summer residence has just been completed two miles farther back, near the head of one of the beautiful canyons or valleys running up into the Santa Inez mountain range skirting his farm on the north. Re-entering our carriage we drove over an excellent road skirted by live oaks, through a first, second, and third gate opening and closing to the touch of the carriage wheels, winding round the edge of valleys, crossing gullies, and cutting through the crests of little hills; past fields of wheat, barley, and corn, and great orchards of young almond and walnut trees, till we reached a beautiful level plain hidden close away under the mountain, and at the head of which the new and ample cottage stands. Here also, we enjoyed a beautiful ocean view, and unsurpassed nearer visions of sloping hillside and rugged mountain, with their many varied tints of green. A further drive of a mile up the valley—for though we were apparently close under the mountain, the canyon opened fertile and inviting far away on either side—brought us to one of Mr. Hollister's tea plantations, for he is trying the expe. ment of introducing tea culture to this State. He has imported not only the plants, but experienced laborers, and remarked that he was trying the plant in every possible situation as to soil and exposure that he might determine to which it is best adapted. The ground mole is giving him great trouble, but he hopes to conquer, and, if possible, he said, "add a new industry to the State, for if I can succeed somebody will take it up and make a business of it." This philanthropic earnestness is, alas, all too rare in California.

Water has been conveyed three miles and a half to one house, and from another source a mile or more to the new one. An ample ranch barn, a carpenter's shop of huge dimensions, a blacksmith's and other buildings are scattered about the place, and a genuine Central Park omnibus stands in the carriage-house for transporting the family to and fro between the winter and summer residences. The winding roads wrought out of the hillsides, the groves of forest trees, valley and glen, and rocky mountain side found their counterpart in my memory only in that glen of Llewellyn Park, at Orange, N. J., and it seemed to me the proprietors must be kindred spirits.

Barley is commonly used for hay in Southern California, and should be cut green, though it is frequently left till dry. The barb can but prove injurious to horses or cattle habitually eating it. Colonel H. prefers wheat for hay, and cuts five tons to the acre; or the Nepaul barley or Siberian wheat, which is without the barb. He showed me representative stalks of wheat ripening, six and seven feet high, with heads of proportionate size, and a bunch of barley numbering 170 stalks, the product of a single

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The radical party in Virginia has split in one of its congressional districts. The bolt was made by the negroes, who accuse their white radical bretheren of having set up things. The blacks withdrew from the convention and nominated an independent ticket.

Gov. Parker, nominee of the labor reformers for Vice President, has resigned and says in his letter he will support the nominee of the Baltimore convention.

Judge Davis' nominee of the same party, for president, has also resigned and favors Greeley.

## The Baltimore Convention.

The democratic national convention met at Baltimore, on Tuesday. It is composed of the very best men of the party, and as such, we have full confidence that its doings will be solely with a view to the welfare of the party and country, that it will be governed by purely patriotic motives, and as such, we are resolved, as every good democrat is in duty bound, to give its nominees an earnest support—surrendering our own opinions and preferences to the superior judgment of the constituted authorities of the party—any thing else would be disorgvnization and playing into the hands of the usurper Grant.

Greeley and Brown, as was evident beforehand, are the choice of the convention, as over two-thirds of the democratic delegates were thus instructed; Delaware, with six votes, being the only state which instructed for a straight nomination. All the great men of our party had pronounced in favor of the Cincinnati movement, believing that it would lead to the defeat of Grant and the corrupt horde who surround him. All the prominent republicans who are free from corrupt practices, have left the Grant party, and are willing to join hands with the democracy, upon the Cincinnati platform, which is thoroughly democratic, and with Greeley for president, bring about the greatly needed reform in our government. The liberal republicans are giving their support for the election of such noble democrats as Buckalew in our own state and Hendricks in Indiana, and lend all their aid for the election of democratic congressmeu, while Greeley, if elected, gives democrats a due share of consideration in the formation of his cabinet and in the distribution of official patronage, and above all this, he has given his sacred pledge to administer the government upon the principles laid down in the Cincinnati platform, which is democratic enough for any one.

There will be no other democratic ticket. Davis has declined in favor of Greeley, so has Grossbeck, and none of our great democratic statesmen will accept a nomination made by any corporals guard outside the democratic national convention, hence it is reduced down to choosing between Greeley and Grant, and looking at the situation, we trust no democrat will hesitate to come up fair and square to the support of what the Baltimore convention in its wisdom thinks is best for the party, and unhesitatingly give his support to Greeley as far preferable to Grant, and this done by the democratic masses, the defeat of radicalism in certain, and we gain a foothold to power.

Hartranft and Allen, who head the radical ticket, must be bad eggs indeed,—one third of the radical organs will not swallow them. Forney's Press, each day comes down upon them heavily. The latest broadside is from the Lancaster Volksfreund, one of the oldest radical organs in the country. The Examiner says:

Notwithstanding the assertions of the ringmasters to the contrary, it is evident to any intelligent man who keeps his eyes and ears open, that the dissatisfaction with a portion of the republican state ticket, is steadily increasing. The Volksfreund, of this city, one of the oldest republican newspapers in the state, having the largest circulation of any paper in the county, and wielding a powerful influence among a large class of our most solid and influential citizens, comes out this morning with a strong protest against Hartranft and Allen, declaring that they "are politically dead, and the republican party must get rid of their carcasses," and that "the republicans of Lancaster county almost unanimously demand the withdrawl of these nominees." The following is the translation of the editorial referred to:

"There prevails here in Pennsylvania a growing dissatisfaction with the nominations of the republican state convention for governor and auditor General.

"The primary cause of this dissatisfaction is to be found in the cloud which both the nominees have brought upon themselves by errors in their public life. Hartranft especially, by his complication in the Evans fraud, and Allen by his vote in favor of the nine million steal.

"Viewed in the most favorable light these gentlemen are politically dead, and the republican party must get rid of their carcasses. The republicans of Lancaster county almost unanimously demand the withdrawl of these nominees, and the nomination of new candidates.

"With new and unblamable men for candidates the victory at the October election will certainly be ours—in the other case we must expect an irreconcilable internal strife and a certain defeat.

"We, as Grant republicans, call for newcand idates for governor and auditor general."

## Gov. Seymour on the Situation.

Gov. Seymour was installed as a sachem at the meeting of the Tammany Society on Friday evening. He made an address, speaking in a pleasant and familiar manner of the best traits of the Indian character, the legend of St. Tammany, and the objects of the society which had adopted the name of the great Indian Sachem. He then spoke of the political situation, saying that the Democracy, true to its traditions and instincts, always had adopted, and always should adopt such a course as would, taking all things into consideration, best tend to promote the success of its cardinal principles.

These principles were substantially embodied in the Cincinnati platform, and the candidates of the Cincinnati Convention had unreservedly committedthemselves to carry out to the best of their ability, the principles thus enunciated. If these candidates could thus embrace and pledge themselves to support Democratic principles it, perhaps, would be splitting hairs to cavil about their antecedents.

A political crisis had arrived, and when honest men met the Democracy more than half way, and extended their hands with the expressed purpose of endeavoring to cemen anew the ties of true nationality, based upon the principles of brotherly love and justice, it appeared to him more than churlish to refuse the olive branch thus tendered. A large majority of the Democratic leaders, and of the papers professing to be exponents of a Democratic opinion, had, as had been aptly stated, accepted the situation, and it seemed to be a foregone conclusion that the work commenced at Cincinnati would be endorsed at Baltimore. If such should be the result he had no objections to make, but, on the other hand, would heartily co-operate to make a success what from present appearances seemed to be the spontaneous determination of the Democratic masses, the election of the Cincinnati nominees on the Cincinnati platform.

## The Campaign in Indiana.

We take pleasure in copying the following extract from the speech of Senator Hendricks, on the occasion of his accepting the nomination of the Democratic Conventien as its candidate for Governor of the State of Indiana. That he will be elected, no one can doubt.

Where such men as Buckalew and Hendricks are put forward as leaders, the people can follow not only with confidence but enthusiasm:

Always the position of Governor of the State is one of importance and responsibility, but in these times greater than ever. Now that the rights of States have been denied, that those rights are being infringed by a central power; now that they say the people shall have no longer their rights to a domestic State Government, these things make the Executive of the State of still greater importance. The State of Indiana, should I be elected, must maintain a friendly relation toward the Federal Government. But at the same time, all the rights and powers of government which are reserved to the State of Indiana, as well as those which are secured to the United States, must be respected everywhere. [Prolonged cheering.] Gentlemen, we have before us a sad spectacle, the result of the interference with the State Government. We have a set of States south of the Ohio River whose Governments have been given over to those who have sought to make speculations out of their affairs. The men of these States who have been placed in the condition of bankruptcy appeal to the State of Indiana. When we hear their cries shall we refuse to go to their support? [Cries of "No, no."] I do not propose, gentlemen, to address you long. I have only two subjects to which I will refer.

I will first refer to the subject of Civil Reform. I am earnestly in favor of Civil Service Reform. I am in favor of it in Indiana as well as in the general Government. I am curious to know whether the people of this country will be satisfied with pretenses in this direction any longer. They have been assured in a platform lately formed at Philadelphia that the party now in power is in favor of Civil Service Reform. That party has had an opportunity for twelve years and that reform has not been brought about. We have the spectacle of a President saying that he is in favor of Civil Service Reform, and the leaders in the House, confidential advisors to the President, denouncing Civil Service Reform as hostile to the Administration. The present session of Congress has closed without any effort at reform. Now if the men who have nominated me are sincere in their desire for reform, let them show it in November. Let every ballot be an assurance that offices are to be administered only for a government of the people. I believe that my judgment, in respect to the action of the Convention to meet at Baltimore, is in harmony with this Convention. [Cheers.] I desire to say, as the representative of this Convention, and of the Convention at Baltimore. [Applause.] I believe that this Convention will result in such action as will secure a Reform in the State of Indiana and in the government of the United States. [Loud cheers.] I believe, Sir, I say it here, I hear a rumbling that will be heard afar in different States of this country, which says that the Administration of Gen. Grant will close forever on the 4th of next March.

The following are short extracts from the old Know Nothing speeches of Henry Wilson, in Massachusetts, in 1854.

"The time has come when the uniform of the state militia should no longer be disgraced by being seen on the back of a Catholick Irishman or an Infidel Dutchman."

"By the light of these burning shantties the Touton and Celt may read the doom that will overtake them in the attempt to compete with the native born American for political supremacy on this continent.

There are now twenty-five republican papers in the state opposed to the election of Hartranft. That is rather severe on the Addition, Division and Silence candidate.

A trial is going on in Northumberland county, in which a director testified that he received twelve dollars from a candidate aspiring to be county superintendent of schools, to be divided among directors in payment for their votes. One hardly knows which to most admire, the rate at which these gentlemen hold themselves, or the eminent fitness they show for the duty of educating the youth of Northumberland county.

The school directors of White township, Greene county, have been fined fifty dollars for refusing to publish their annual statement, as directed by law.

On the 3rd there were forty deaths by sunstroke in New York.

## Long Branch.

### Arrival of the Gift Taker with his Troops of Horses and Dogs.

[Cor. of the World.]

LONG BRANCH, June 12.—The arrival of General Grant at his summer quarters was not celebrated this yerr by the slightest flourish. Ex-Collector Murphy, who was so constant in his attentions to the President last year, was here on Monday, but would not even afford the time to stay one day more for the sake of welcoming his old chief. The president, with quite a numerous escort, arrived by the last express train from Philadelphia on Tuesday afternoon, the only effect his advent produced was to excite the curiosity of the villagers while his horses and dogs were being removed from the depot to the cottage beyond the West End. This was rather an interesting scene. First, the President and family, accompanied by

THE DENTS AND PORTER'S,

rode up Ocean avenue in carriages, and then followed a troop of horses, jackasses, dogs, and the wagon train carrying the servants and the luggage. The head steward of the White House had arrived the day before to put the cottage in order. Owing to Grant's re-nomination for the Presidency he is enabled to keep a larger stud than last year. Then he brought only six horses; now he has eleven, and a jackass besides.

THE PRESIDENTIAL JACKASS,

distinguished himself before he had been in the place an hour. The expressmen having charge of the Presidential effects were conveying all the animals up to the cottage, when the stubborn jackass, true to his nature, suddenly bolted and positively refused to go any further. The village boys were gathering round enjoying the sports, some of them doubling themselves with laughter and holding their bodies up by resting their hands on their knees, while they shouted: "Oh! what a jackass." At last, while half a dozen men were wrestling with the obstinate beast, one of the urchins more astute than the others made a great discovery, and announced it by exclaiming: "Oh, it ain't no jackass at all; it's a jenny." This produced such yells of laughter as should have made even a jackass or a jenny blush. Until then the men having the beast in charge had not taken her sex in consideration, and they now resolved to treat her with more gentleness. Accordingly a brawny Hibernian went up to her and said, "Well, it ye don't choose to walk ye can just as well ride," and suiting the action to the word he threw his arms around the "jenny" and lifted her bodily into the wagon, where she remained while the horses drew her up Ocean avenue, the people looking on admiringly as she passed.

The jackass was taken to General Porter's house and turned out to grass. As many of the horses as could be accommodated at the President's own stables were cared for there, the rest being conveyed to the stable attached to the President's new cottage on the opposite side of the avenue.

The dogs soon became accustomed to their new houses, but the big Newfoundland, when he goes up to the cliff just back of the President's house and looks out upon the ocean, with its curling waves rattling up the beach, takes his tail between his legs and runs for his kennel.

LONG BRANCH

is about the same thing it always has been since it was made a fashionable resort for the summer season. It only lives during two months of the year, and its torpor is so profound that it never awakes until after the middle of June. But during those two months it is without doubt one of the most favored spots in the United States. Bad air is unknown, and though the sun's rays may be never so hot it is only necessary to seek the shade in order to keep cool and fresh. If the wind blows from the east it brings the salt air of the sea, and if it blows from the opposite direction it comes loaded with all the fragrance of the New Jersey meadows. A person dropping out of the dusty streets of the city and landing on this noble beach feels as if he were transported to heaven, and will immediately take off his hat and, in defiance of all fashion, stand on the brink of the ocean abyss at all hours of the day, letting the breath of Neptune saturate his hair with brine. It is no wonder that a gentleman of means and plenty of leisure like General Grant, should spend as much time as possible at this place. He has adopted it as his regular summer residence, and unless his defeat in November should cut off his revenue of horses, horses, and dogs, he may be counted on as a regular citizen.

For the Reporter.

## Commencement at Gettysburg.

GETTYSBURG, JUNE 28th, 1872—Dear Editor.—Long ago I promised to write you occasionally, but, as you are aware, did not succeed. To-day we leave our Alma Mater, we sunder ties stronger, tenderer and dearer than any on earth, save those binding the members of the same household. To turn away from a 'fostering mother"—to remove beyond the bounds of her care, protection, and purifying influences, is a serious step in the life of a young man. Her moulding power, like that of a faithful mother, is felt even if absent from her. The old haunts to which our hearts shall ever turn with anxious longing—the scenes with which we have become so familiar. The halls in which we have so often met for prayer, social improvement, and intellectual culture must all be left behind. Our *College days* are over, *farewells* have been said, the spell is broken, the class is scattered. Sunday 23. The Baccalaurerate address was delivered by M. Valentine D. D. President of College.

The Dr. chose for his text the 18th verse of 4th Chap., II Cor. The theme of his discourse was the putrifying, elevating "power of the Unseen." This he considered in two grades or states, in the lower sphere of nature and the higher range of grace. We have neither space nor time to trace the line of argument, suffice it to say that the Dr. gave us one of his ablest and best sermons, any one of which would far eclipse those of a Beecher, or Talmadge. In the evening Rev. S. B. Barnitz, of Wheeling, Va., delivered the annual address before the T. M. C. A., of the college. His theme was: "The improvement of ones chances in life," a practical topic, and practically handled by this noble specimen, physical and mental, of the *genus homo*. On Monday evening, Dr. J. G. Morris, of Baltimore, delivered "The Holman Lecture" on the Augsburg Confession. The Dr. is never *dry*, always carries his audience right along with him, so they get through as soon as he does, which is not the case with not a few ministers. Tuesday evening Dr. Baum of York addressed the alumni of the Theo'l Seminary.

Diplomas were then conferred upon the graduating class by Dr. Brown, President of the Seminary. Capt. J. Harpster, your townsman, who is now in India, is one of the class.

Wednesday morning was the junior exhibition. An appreciative audience was present "bright and early." Exercises were interesting—speeches well written and perfectly committed. Every body seemed pleased. I have no room to give you the programme, but suffice it to say that the exhibition was creditable to the performers and the Institution. I was agreeably surprised, on looking over the audience, to see an old familiar face, that of your enterprising and upright merchant Mr. Wm. Wolf. I was soon near enough to give his hand a friendly shake and inquire of your welfare. In the afternoon Rev. McCrom D. D., of Baltimore, delivered the biennial address before the Philo. Society. His subject, Oratory, was ably handled, and well illustrated in his own style of delivery. In the evening a large and attentative audience was entertained by Christopher Fine, Esq., of New York. The address was before the Alumni of the College. This was an able review of the rise and fall of nations, and the progress of freedom, culminating in the establishment of our own glorious institutions. It will appear in the next number of the Evangelical Quarterly.

Sunshine and freshness greeted us on Thursday morning, just the weather we were wishing for. Early the church was crowded with an eager audience. Commencements generally are a bore, on account of the number and length of the orations, but gleaning my information from persons present this was not. It is true there were more performances than ever before yet they were of such a different, and consequently more interesting character, that the people remained throughout. About twenty-five received diplomas from the hands of Dr. Valentine, President of College. On retiring from the stage each student might be seen gathering up bouquets, trophies of the day, the gifts of fair hands.

I clip the following item from the "Star & Sentinel":

"The following honors were awarded for excellence in scholarship:—1st Honor, John Brubaker, Berlin, Pa.; 2nd Honor, W. K. T. Sahm, of Aaronsburg, Pa.; 3rd John M. Friday, Jefferson, Md.; 4th G. W. Fortney, Pine Grove Mills, Pa.; Graff Prize, for best essay on the "Cotter's Saturday Night," John Brubaker, Berlin, Pa.; Hassler Gold Medal, (Junior Latin Prize,) Wm. S. Fries, Barren Hill, Pa. Freshman Prize, (for best general scholarship,) James McConaughy, Gettysburg."

In the afternoon of Thursday the Re-Union of the alumni and friends of the college took place at the Springs' Hotel. A good dinner was soon dispatched, after which a number of toasts were offered and responded to. At 7 o'clock in the evening one of the pleasantest exercises of the whole week took place in College chamber. It was an exercise of the Senior class consisting of four speeches, tree dedication and fire works. The finest and largest audience was here in attendance. Every body was charmed. The tree, thus consecrated, stands sacred in the memory of 1872. Around it we sang our last song—around it we stood an unbroken band, perhaps for the last time. Good-bye is said and we haste away.

G. W. F.

## Annual School Report of Centre County, for the School Year ending June 3, 1872.

In submitting this report, I desire to thank the directors, and friends of public school education, of Centre county, for the kind consideration with which the suggestions made in my former reports have been received, and for the earnest effort made to carry out the measures from time to time recommended.

For a full exhibit of the work of the year the reader is referred to the accompanying tabular statement,—a brief summary of which only can be given here.

*Houses and furniture.*]Eleven new school houses have been built during the year:—Benner 2, Bogs 1, Haines 1,* Harris 1, Patton 1, Potter 1, Snow Shoe 1, Spring 1, Rush 1, all of which are commodious and substantial. All the new houses have been supplied with good, comfortable desks, and nine old ones have been suitably re-furnished. The new house at Lemont, in Harris district, deserves especial mention. For ornament and beauty it is unsurpassed in the county, and is a fit model for imitation by other districts.

The number of houses reported unfit for use has been reduced to seventeen (17) and are situated as follows:—Boggs 1, Ferguson 3, Harris 1, Huston 1, Marrion 1, Miles 2, Patton 1, Potter 2, Spring 2, Union 2, Worth 1. It is earnestly hoped that these condemned structures may be replaced by edifices in keeping with the spirit of the times.

Fourteen schools are seated with improved patent furniture.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS DURING THE LAST SIX YEARS.

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| Number of houses built in the last six years | 70 |
| Number of houses supplied with suitable outbuildings in last 6 years | 100 |
| Number of houses supplied with suitable furniture in last 6 years | 147 |
| Number of houses arranged with means for ventilation in last 6 yr's. | 130 |
| Number of houses having outline maps in 1866 | 150 |
| Number of houses having outline maps in 1872 | 150 |
| Number of houses having Artificial Globes in 1866 | 6 |
| Number of houses having Artificial Globes in 1872 | 115 |
| Number of schools in the county in 1866 | 184 |
| Number of schools in the county in 1872 | 207 |
| Number of graded schools in the county in 1866 | 37 |
| Number of graded schools in the county in 1872 | 60 |
| Number of schools well classified in in 1867 | 120 |
| Number of school-rooms decorated with mottoes, pictures, &c., in 1867 | 12 |
| Number of school-rooms decorated with mottoes, pictures, &c., in 1872 | 180 |
| Number of schools in which class-records were kept in 1867 | 20 |
| Number of schools in which class-records were kept in 1872 | 180 |
| Number of teachers who had attended Normal School in 1866 | 7 |
| Number of teachers who attended the County Institute at Penn Hall, in 1867 | 70 |
| Number of teachers who attended the County Institute at Bellefonte in 1872 | 210 |
| Number of Educational Meetings held in county during last six years | 169 |
| Number of visits to school by County Superintendent during last six years | 1575 |
| Number of visits to schools by county Superintendent with directors, during last six years | 988 |
| Number of patrons met with in the schools during last six years | 1200 |
| Number of public examinations held during last six years | 164 |
| Number of applicants examined during last six years | 1263 |
| Number of miles traveled in discharge of official duties during last six years | 18 882 |
| Number of pupils who studied English Grammer, in 1867 | 1000 |
| Number of pupils who studied English Grammer, in 1872 | 2450 |
| Number of pupils who studied Geography in 1867 | 1600 |
| Number of pupils who studied Geography in 1872 | 3200 |
| Number of pupils who studied Mental Arithmetic, in 1867 | 3000 |
| Number of pupils who studied Mental Arithmetic in 1872 | 6375 |
| Number of pupils who studied History of U. S. in 1867 | 2400 |
| Number of pupils who were taught Map Drawing in 1872 | 2062 |
| Number of pupils who were taught Physiology in 1872 | 2375 |
| Number of pupils who whre taught the elements of music in 1872 | 1600 |
| Number of pupils who were taught Phonetic Spelling in 1872 | 4000 |

*Schools.*—The number of schools in the county is 207, an increase of three since last report; of these, sixty are graded, and all, except two or three, as well classified as circumstances permit, for until we have a thorough system of graded schools, the classification must remain somewhat defective.

The attention of directors is again earnestly invited to the subject of graded schools, as suggested in last year's report. Such schools are needed particularly at Julian Furnace, in Huston; Penn Hall or Spring Mills, in Gregg; Marsh Creek, in Curtin; Farmers' Mills, and Snow Shoe. Additional grades are needed at Philipsburg and Milesburg.

*Examinations.*—Thirty public examinations were held, continuing from the close of the County Normal School, September 21st, until the opening of the public schools in November. For want of a sufficient number of teachers eight private examinations were reluctantly granted, and certificates afterwards given to three applicants who had partially failed at the regular examinations.

The public examinations were attended by one hundred and fifteen directors, and one thousand and sixty-four citizens.

*The qualifications of teachers* were generally higher than the year previous, though the average grade of certificate remained about the same. This is accounted for by the fact that Physiology was introduced into the examination—a branch with which many of the teachers were comparatively unacquainted. To the best of my knowledge there are not half a dozen teachers in the County who are not regular readers of the "Pennsylvania School Journal," and "Educator."

*Visitations.*—All the schools were visited once, except two not in session at the time; some received a second, and a few a third visit. Number of visits 272, of which 161 were made with directors, to whom with proper directions I committed the further supervision of the schools 110 directors, and 248 patrons thus accompanied me. These visitations were continued uninterruptedly from the beginning to the end of our short term, and then it was barely possible to reach all the schools ere they closed, in connection with the extra attention required in some localities, the office work, the County Institute, ect. More thorough supervision is needed—such supervision as will not only *reach*, but *watch closely* every part of the work of every school. It is just as necessary for the school as for the farm, the workshop, the railroad, or the manufactory. The Superintendent cannot do this, for the utmost he can do is to visit the schools once or twice; visits from directors, though of much practical benefit, will not answer the purpose, for to inspect well the work of others, such person must himself be a first class teacher—a professional expert. Herein is where the district superintendency, with us, has failed to accomplish that amount of good which it otherwise would have done. Such superintendent could exercise supervision over forty or fifty schools, neighboring districts jointly employing one extra teacher for the purpose. Supervision of this kind is not an experiment; recommended for years by the State Superintendent, it has been fairly tested, and is now in operation in many counties of the State, with the best results. The subject is certainly worthy of careful consideration by directors.

*County Institute.*—Our twenty-fifth annual Institute was held at Bellefonte, during holiday week. Two hundred and ten teachers were present—a decrease of twenty since last year. This was owing to reports of small-pox prevailing in Bellefonte. Average attendance of teachers two hundred, and spectators, five hundred, at every session. The exercises were of a purely practical and professional character. Prominent among the instructors were Prof. J. W. Shoemaker, Mrs. R. H Speedmaker, and Prof J. S. Roberts. Evening lectures were delivered by James Calder, D. D., president of "Pennsylvania Agricultural College," Rev. James Mulien, and Prof. Shoemaker.

*Normal Institute.* The sixth annual session, under the supervision, and partial instruction of the superintendent, was held at Reberburg, prior to the fall examinations. Eighty teachers were in attendance.

*The Scriptures* were read daily in every school, and the Lords' Prayer repeated every morning in many.

*Text-Books.*—We have district uniformity, and have had no change of books for six years.

*Vocal Music.*—Considerable advancement has been made. In addition to daily exercises in singing, one or two lessons a week in the elements and science of music were given in many schools. The difficulty in the way of its general introduction was, that many of our teachers were entirely unacquainted with even the most rudimentary principles. It is hoped that such teachers will properly qualify themselves, by another year, to teach all that may be required of them.

*Drawing.*—An effort has been made to introduce this branch into the schools, within the last year. Bartholomew's drawing cards were used in about 150 schools. This branch should be taught as universally and thoroughly as penmanship.

*Decoration.*—Many of the school-rooms are very tastefully decorated with mottoes, pictures, flowers, etc., supplied with window papers or curtains, and are kept scrupulously clean. I am sorry I cannot say this of all

*Morals and Manners.*—In this I think I am safe in saying considerable improvement has been made. More attention has been given to the general out-door conduct and habits of pupils than formerly, and with the most desirable results. There is no time when the watchful care of the teacher is more necessary than at recess, and before and after school.

*The Educational agencies outside of the public school work* are the same as contained in former reports, and need not be repeated here.

Before closing I would call the attention of directors to the seeming want of the establishment of several new schools, one in Benner, one in the lower part of Burnside, and one on the mountain above Pleasant Gap, (the latter perhaps jointly between Benner, Spring, and Potter.) Let no spot in Centre county, however isolated, remain destitute of proper facilities for the education of the young.

R. M. MAGEE, Co. Supt.

From an official statement of the business of the Lycoming Fire Insurance company, says the Muncy Luminary, their losses we learn, for the year ending on the 10th of June, were $1,037,666.56. Amount previous to this date, $3,157,274'97, making a total of $4,194,941.53, which embraces 5,627 claims. They state their accumulated capital at $5,635, 819,49, and cash assets over liabilities June 10th, $430,460.56.


## Valuable Farm at Private Sale

The undersigned offers at private sale, a valuable Farm, situated in Gregg township, Centre county, near the railroad depot at Spring Mills, and belonging to the estate of Elisabeth Neese, dec'd.

This farm contains

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THE CENTRE REPORTER

FRIDAY July 12., 1872.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

**LOCAL NEWS.**—Our friends everywhere, will oblige us by sending us local news of interest.

**CIRCULATION.**—The circulation of the REPORTER, on this side the county, is larger than that of all other papers in the county. Business men will therefore find this one of the best advertising mediums. We invite all interested to come and inspect our list for themselves.

**REMITTANCES.**—All monies for subscription will be credited on the subscriber's address, each week; by referring to which our patrons can at all times see how their accounts stand, and a receipt is by this system carried upon each copy of the paper.

Mr. P. Kerlin, is still prosecuting the search for coal, upon his farm, in the Loop, and a few days ago sent us further specimens of stone which bear a close resemblance to coal. May he soon find the genuine article

Mr. Leuffer is of the opinion that the railroad will be in running order from Mifflinburg to Laurelton by the coming fall.

The work on the Tyrone end of our road commenced this week. Mr. Miller, of Tyrone has the contract for 4 miles

—Mr. Kurtz—Dear Sir.—J. B. Heckman, near Penn Hall, has corn stocks, that on the 22d of June measured 4 feet and 7½ inches; also, potatoe tops that measured 4 feet 3½ inches and still growing—He says they are Democratic and indicate Buckalew's triumphant election in October next. He says that neither corn or potatoes will grow for Hartranft on his or any of his neighbor's farms.

A SUBSCRIBER.

—On Saturday afternoon, 29th ult.' during a violent thunder storm that passed over this section, the roof was carried off of the barn, on the Wm. Keller farm, near this place, and lodged a short distance in the adjoining orchard. One of the sheds near the barn was also blown down by the storm.

Hon. Wm. Parsons died at his residence in Lock Haven at an early hour last Sunday morning, and was buried in Highland cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

—Bellefonte is an enterprising town—at least its editors try to make it so—it now has one illustrated paper, the *Republican*, and two religious journals, the *Christain Union Work* and the *Watchman*.

—Burnside & Thomas' cash store has proven a grand success. People found that by paying cash and getting goods at almost cost, they could save from 25 to 40 per cent, hence the rush is constantly to Burnsides & Thomas', the only store in the county which is carried on upon this system. They keep many articles too, heretofore not found in any other store in the county. Those who buy of them once, always go back again so liberal are the inducements.

*The First Show of the Season—Kleckner & Co's Monster Circus, Museum, and Menagerie.*—The first show to visit here this season, luckily happens to be one of the best ones now traveling. Kleckner & Co's great mastadon menagerie, gigantic circus and colossal caravan and museum, together with the wonderful M'lle. Fontainebleau, will exhibit here on Friday July the 19th, for one day only, afternoon and evening, with an ascension outside at one o'clock on a single wire 360 feet long, by the great M'lle. Carrie Cordona.—Speaking of this great company, an exchange says:

"We are free to say that we were more than pleased with the entertainment throughout, and we have yet to meet the person who attended either the afternoon or evening exhibition who did not express themselves in the highest degree gratified with the performance. There was nothing attempted to be done that was not done in the most artistic and perfect manner, and many of the feats were not only entirely new, but they were of the most startling and wonderful character. The performance of M'lle. Fontainebleau was excellent beyond description, while the trapeze acts, the jugglery trick, equestrain exercises, cannon ball feats and other performances of the several other members of the troupe cannot be excelled, if approached, by any arenic artists in the country. The hat tricks of the clown, something entirely new, are the most amusing and ridiculous "tom fooleries" we have ever witnessed, and they cannot fail to produce the greatest merriment. But we cannot speak of the performances in full detail, but solicit for the grand combination a liberal patronage wherever it may exhibit, for it is not only first-class but entirely unobjectionable in all its features."

For the Reporter.

The closing exercises of the Aaronsburg High School conducted by Prof. W. T. Linn Kieffer, Friday afternoon June 21st, were a perfect success. The worthy Prof. did not allow the students to spend a week or two of the school time for preparation, but instead, had only regular Friday afternoon exercises, with the exception of the music of the day. The essays were well arranged, the subject and words well chosen. Every Lady had an essay well worthy of considerable commendation. The declamations delivered by the gentlemen were a good selection and remarkably well delivered. Select reading by Prof. Kieffer was very good. Prof. Wm. T Meyer enlivened the exercises with music, and amused all present by singing a comic song "The dutch barber," he also played a few instrumental pieces of his composition, pleasing every one present.

Dr. Sahm and Mr. Thos. Yearick, made short addresses, giving cheerful words for the future welfare of teacher and pupils. The students most agreeably surprised their Prof. by presenting him with a very beautiful studying gown.

Prof. Kieffer closed the exercises by delivering a very able farewell address which made every one sad to think that we must part with one who so ably performed his duties as a teacher. After the exercises quite a number of the young people of Aaronsburg and Millheim went to a spring above town, to enjoy a few more hours with their friend K.

We had lots of cakes and things to eat
And lots of ladies to make them sweet.

Mr Z. A. Yearick, a graduate of Franklin Marshall College, will open the school at Aaronsburg about the first of Aug. W.

—The Centre County Normal will be held at Centre Hall, commencing July 24th. Board can be had at from $2,75 to $3 per week. Tuition will range from $5,00 to $10,00. All the books used can be had at Centre Hall. A course of lectures by competent lecturers will he delivered during the session. For further particulars apply to superintendent Magee.

—On Friday, 28th ult., a young man by name of Cox, from Spring township, was taken to the insane asylum, by Sheriff Woodring and commissioner Sankey His insanity was of such a type as to render him dangerous, and we are told, was brought on by disappointment in love.

—A quarry of cement rock, of extra quality, has been found upon the land of Henry Meyer, near the forks of Elk and Pine, in Penn twp., and a kiln for the manufacture of cement will soon be erected there.

—Mr. Geo. Livingston, an old and respected citizen of Bellefonte, died on Saturday evening, 29th ult. Mr. Livingston had been unwell, and confined to his room, and on the morning of that day a note written by him, was found upon the bed, saying that he feared he had taken the wrong medicine. The effect of the medicine he had taken, rendered him speechless and he was very low when found in the morning.

—Buy your goods at Hoffer Bro's. the farmers best stand. They sell at a little above cost, and give you wares in which there is no deception. Remember, Hoffer Bro's cheap stand.

—Maj. S. Frank, of Rabersburg, informs us that he has a timothy stock measuring 5 feet in length. He pronounces it a Buckalew stock, and is a bad indication for Hartranft.

President Miller was in town on Wednesday, going over the line of the road. He speaks of having the cars running through here in a year.

LEG BROKEN.—Mr. John D. Deck er, while engaged in rolling saw-logs, at his mill, near Potter's Bank, on the 4th, met with an unfortunate accident. Missing his hold upon a log which he was about to turn over, it began to roll and striking his cant-hook hurled that implement with such violence against his left leg, as to cause a dangerous fracture below the knee, and partially doubling it around. Two of his boys were the only ones present with him, and he lay in a painful condition for some time before medical aid arrived. The broken leg has been set, and it is feared amputation may become necessary.

—Albert J. Wilcox, an employee of the Pennsylvania lightning rod company, was killed by lightning in an open field, near Milroy, Mifflin county, on Monday last. He had been gathering cherries, and was killed while passing from the tree to the road. He was a citizen of Messapotamia, Ohio, unmarried, and about 24 years of age.

SHOT.—Wm. Wingate, of Tyrone, and who has frequently been serving Mr. Swab, of Harris twp., as a hirling, was shot at Tyrone, on the Fourth, by John Seillinger, during a row, which occurred at Troutwine's hotel. Seillinger fired two shots, the first taking effect in Wingate's hand, and the second shot hitting him in the abdomen, from the effects of which he died a day or so thereafter. Seillinger has been lodged in jail at Hollidaysburg.

Mr Pierce, of Laurelton, while seated on the porch of his home, in Laurelton, on Sabbath, 16th inst., fell from the steps and broke his neck by the fall. The deceased resided in Lewisburg for a few months, to which place he came from Wilkesbarre. He was at one time a Minister, subsequently practiced Law, but became the slave of intemperance, which provedhis ruin. His remains were sent to Wilkesbarre for interment.

Our town and neighborhood were somewhat alarmed by a case of small-pox which made its appearance here, a week ago. Our worthy townsman, Mr. John Shannon, was the victim. The physician has informed us that the case was a very mild one and that Mr. S. at no time was seriously ill and, we are pleased to be informed, is on a speedy way to recovery. A consultation of physicians was had, and they give it as their opinion, that from the precautions taken by the family of Mr. Shannon, it is not likely any of them will take the disease, and that it will end with this case of varioloid. Mr. S. was at Baltimore a short time ago, where the small-pox are raging to some exteut and may have taken the infection in that city.

—Nothing adds more to the pleasure of home, than music, and Rynder's organs being sold so cheap now, they are within the reach of all.

—Go to Hiram Hoffer, in the Conrad House, for your tobaco and segars, he always keeps a first-class article; also keeps pipes, pouches, &c., and sells cheap.

FOR SALE —I have three late improved Ball Reapers, with raft-rake attachments, which are offered for $160.

R. T. M'MANIGAL
Milroy, Pa.

ESTRAY.—One peacock and three peahens came to the premises of the undersigned, 1 mile south of Aaronsburg, about two weeks ago. The owner is requested to pay expenses of advertisement and remove his property. WM. H. HARTER.

**Stone Ware**

a large assortment of every size and description now on hand, cheap, at the old stand of Wm. Wolt.

### Aaronsburg High School.

For the Reporter.

The summer session of this school will open on the 25th of July 1872.

It will be under the management of Z. A. Yearick A. B. who from experience and success, will doubtless obtain the patronage of the school.

The school has for a number of years maintained a good reputation of academic instruction, and has uniformly proved itself worthy of the patronage of its friends.

Its location has given it advantages over many other schools of the same kind; for there are very few towns whose record shows so great a degree of morality and general good health as Aaronsburg. Nor are there so many allurements, as in larger towns, to draw the attention from the proper course of study; and yet, the society and the place are such as to meet the social expectations of each scholar, which makes it pleasant for all.

The course of instruction embraces all that is usually taught in Academies and High Schools. Special attention will be given to those who wish to prepare themselves for public school teaching. An opportunity will also be given to such who wish to take Music lessons.

Boarding and Rooms can be had, in private families, from $2,50 to $3,00 per week.

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For further information address,

Z. A. YEARICK,
Care of P. T. Musser, M. D., or Rev. C. H. Reiter. July 12 3t.

### From Illinois.

For the Reporter.

Dear friend Fred,—Jake and I left the town of Davis this morning and came to spend the day with Mr. Wm. Bike, formerly of Aaronsburg, Pa. His residence is within one mile of the Illinois and Wisconsin line, and his home is truly a beautiful one.

All who know Mr. Bike know him to be a genial companion and a gentleman in every sense of the word.

I would fain give you a discription of the country here, but must wait until my next, and return now to where I left off in my last.

I forgot to tell you of Ed, in my last letter, Ed. lives on the prairie, and he is a good boy, G. W. Spangler, of the Loop, knows all about him.

Ed. visited his cousin on a certain vacation, and, as there was no one at home when he arrived, he proceeded to get dinner for himself. I am told that he cooked an excellent dinner, satisfied his appetite and went home.

I hope he will excuse me for telling this but then it will be an inducement you know, for men who are good cooks are in great demand here. Sorry I can't cook.

Joliet is a fine city, and, as a manufacturing place has no superior in the West. But as I have so much to write I can give her but a passing notice.

Here I met our venerable friend, F Seltzer, who has become wealthy by investing in lands and town property.

C. L. Spangler and I visited the principal business places—also Oakwood Cemetery, one of the most beautiful cemeteries in the Western Country.

In memory of their departed friends the people of Joliet have erected some of the most handsome monuments that I have seen west of Philadelphia.

Some of them are also very suggestive. For instance; The trunk of a decayed tree, broken off a few feet from the top and the severed piece lying on the ground. The trunk is interspersed with representatives of knots—the whole carved out of solid rock, and displays architectural skill rarely, if ever surpassed.

If ever there was anything calculated to inspire one with solemn thought it is a stroll through a churchyard.

There all merriment, vain and idle thoughts cease, and, although the earth be filled with the bones of departed friends, we instinctively exclaim "how lovely all this." I am under obligations to friend Spangler for his kindness in "showing me around," and, as he has the best of horses, the ride was a rare treat.

The farmers use no sacks in hauling grain to Joliet. They sell all by weight, as in the East, and, as soon as the wagon, load, and driver are weighed, drive on the "dump" take out the end-gate and in two minuets the grain is off, and being carried to the upper story by the elevator.

Corn was worth 43 cts., at the time. Your friends Geiss, Jordan, and Klingler and, in fact, all the Pennsylvanians in and around Joliet, are doing well. But Joliet, like the King bird or bee-bird, as it is sometimes called, has its "drawbacks." The King-bird, although small, can put almost any other bird to flight, for which it deserves credit, so far as courage is concerned but, on the crown of its head is a tuft of feathers resembling a flower, which it can close or open at will.

When it desires to feast upon bees it will sit upon an elevated place, spread the variegated feathers, which attract the bees and they are very readily captured. Joliet has a name.

The visitor is attracted by the beauty of her streets and buildings, but like nearly all cities, there is much of vice and immorality.

Many of her citizens regard the Sabbath just as if though there was no Sabbath to observe, and this is a "draw-back."

But this is, however, no reflection upon the good citizens of the town who are trying to do what is right. But my letter is already too long to tell you of Chicago, Freeport, Lena, and the Mississippi.

Jake says no town in the West can compare with Sprucetown for good singing.

Yours, TUSSEY.

### The Editorial Excursion.

*Erie—The Oil Regions—Grand Receptions.*

A special train, containing the members of the Penna. Editorial Association and their ladies, from the East, arrived at Williamsport, on Monday evening, 24th ult., the party remaining at the Herdic over night, where a hop and supper had been arranged for them. Next morning we joined it at Lock Haven, at 8:24, for Erie, and found about 140 ladies and gentlemen on board. The heavy rains of Monday and the following night, caused a freshet in the West Branch and its tributaries, as if for the special purpose of affording the editorial fraternity a good opportunity to watch the great lumber interests of that region. The freshet had brought out the hardy lumbermen, who manned the rafts and those who acted as drivers along the streams to set the logs afloat, presenting a brisk scene upon that beautiful stream and its tributaries.

The general appearance of the country between Lock Haven and Warren reminded us very much like the country between Bellefonte and Tyrone—being closely hemmed in by mountains on either side, only that the streams were much larger. The farming interests along here, are scarce worth mentioning—saw-logs took the lead, and it struck us that saw-logs were the breakfast, dinner, supper, as well as legal tender, of the good people of the West Branch region: and when that commodity runs out there, which it is bound to do at no distant day, at the rate at which the lumber has been taken out for the last decade or more, the vocation of the people of that section will be gone, unless something new is developed. The scenery along the West Branch is highly romantic; many villages dot the narrow valley, and some quite handsome towns are met with—all deriving their subsistance from the products of their forests.

Our train made its first halt at Renovo, which is getting to be a beautiful summer resort. Here is a large and fine hotel, for summer visitors, surrounded by a beautiful ground, which contains a number of trout ponds, containing thousands of the speckled beauties. Our party was shown through the hotel, and then taken to these ponds. The proprietor, with a bucket-full of minced meat showed us the feeding process. A rod and line was then baited with a chunk of meat about as large as a hickory nut, and given one of the ladies, to show her skill at angling. She threw in; there was a bite—not upon her head—but on the hook, and fizz, up went the rod, all eyes following to see a trout dangling at the end of the line. But nary a trout dangled there. A second, third and fourth attempt, and the same result, each failure followed by a round of laughter. "Here give me the rod," yelled an educated trout catcher, 'I'll show you how to fetch 'em," He threw in, there was a heavy bite—a pull—and then roars of laughter—no trout on the hook. "The bait is too large," says our scienced disciple of Walton, and the bait was accordingly discounted 50 per cent, and in flies the hook; another stout nibble, a jerk, and greater laughter than ever. Other hands which professed skill, tried, but always with the same result, excepting one, when a whopper was landed to dance a jig upon the sod, but a little more delay would have left him in his native element. We made up our mind these trout were educated not to be caught, unlike their uneducated cousins in our mountain streams, or that the hook was made so as to have no draw, and yet to be a sure "draw" on all who undertook to show their skill in the art piscatorial, for we are not used to have such slips between the hook and lip, when we go trouting in our romping mountain rivulets. One of these ponds was about 25 feet long, about 8 feet wide, and 3 feet deep, and contained 4000 large trout. "All aboard" started us for the train, and off we sped stopping a few minuits at Emporium and St. Marys; at the latter place Mr. Armstrong, the gentlemanly station agent, had a keg of frothy lager put on board the train, and his health was drank so often as the delicious Teutonic liquid found its way across the thirsty lips of our party, that it is astonishing he survived.

At Ridgeway we had a sight of the second largest tannery in the world, and farther on, at Wilcox, was the largest establishment of the kind in the world; we halted a few moments, to have a good sight of the immense leather institution.

This tannery employs 1000 hands. There can be seen stacks of bark, like rows of houses in a town; the engine weighs 90 tuns; the place is a village of tanners, all look and smell like knights of the vat and leather shop, and, no doubt, many of them would be just as fit for president as tanner Grant.

At St. Marys a few bummers got on our train, but the keen eye of Capt. May, who had charge of the train, soon spied the intruders. The captain is one of those ever-jolly fellows, whose native wit never runs out, and who will always keep a crowd in the meriest mood. He declared those interlopers were not twenty-two carrets fine and were of the kind who very poorly make their signatures with an X, and he could not permit them to mix with "his first class boarders." The bell rope was pulled, the train halted, and Capt. May very politely bowed the fellows off the train.

We reached Kane at 1.45. This point is the summit, and lies about 2200 ft. higher than Philadelphia. The train halted in front of the large and elegant hotel built by Gen. Kane, of Bucktail notoriety. The general has been several years building this magnificent house, and it is now completed but not yet furnished. It is intended as a summer resort. Its romantic surroundings, in one of the best trout and game sections of the country, will certainly make it one of the most favorite resorts. We were met under the door by the gallant soldier himself, upon crutches, still suffering from wounds received in battle. We had met Gen. Kane before, and all who meet him once, will ever remember him, for his genial and social qualities. The party was shown through his hotel, and were then treated to ice-cold lemonade, prepared for us by the general, when we proceeded a short distance to a large dining room, where one hour was given to partake of a sumptuous dinner that had been prepared for our party.

At 3.10 we left Kane for Erie, passing, Warren, Corry, Union, &c., reaching Erie at 6.46 p. m. The country between Warren and Erie is open and very fine. We halted a short time at Corry to get a view of the city. It is a stiring town, and its large and numerous oil refineries create an odor which is not the most agreeable. At Erie a long string of carriages were in waiting for us at the depot, as also a large crowd of citizens, and our party were soon quartered in the elegant hotels of that historic town. It is a beautiful city with a like harbor of which it may well feel proud, and located upon the bank of the beautiful lake of same name, with its fine, large residences, clean streets, beautiful parks and fountains, altogether make it a city of which its hospitable inhabitants well dare boast. In the evening, in company with some of the ladies and gentlemen belonging to the editorial fraternity, we were taken to see some of the natural gas wells, of which there are now 50 in the city, and which supply a portion of the gas by which Erie is lighted as well as fuel for running some of its manufacturing establishments, and also used for lighting and warming private residences taking the place of coal and wood in cooking stoves. We had heard of their natural gas wells before, but had no idea they were as common as we here found them, and that they were thus utilized and made to serve so important purposes. These wells are bored just as oil-wells are bored, and the gas is found at about the same depth. Tubing is than used to convey the gas into the burners, cooking stoves and grates in the dwellings; wells are sunk in the beautiful yards, amidst the shrubbery surrounding their residences. We were shown through one residence, in the yard of which gas had been struck. There it was, sheding its rays from the burners like the artifical article; the grate, filled with an iron or stone imitation of wood, had the gas turned on, and in the twinkling of an eye there was a flaming fire to warm the room. The lady of the house showed us to the kitchen, where was an ordinary cooking stove; along the grate was a half-inch tube finely perforated; the gas was turned on, and in an instant there was a full blaze, and more intense heat than produced from wood, and this does their cooking—having neither ashes, smoke, or bad odor. Think of that ye women. It is notable to remark that in sinking their gas-wells, there has been no oil struck yet. One of these wells will furnish light and *fuel* for the surrounding neighborhood.

Wednesday forenoon was spent in an excursion on the lake, in the new and beautiful steamer China. This was quite a treat to our party. In the afternoon the regular business meeting of the association was held, and in the evening the press ball and banquet came off in good style. The citizens of Erie did all in their power to make our stay there a pleasant one, and well did they succeed, and long will they be remembered by the corps editorial. The editors from the western portion of the state, had reached Erie in a train via Pittsburg, a few hours before our arrival, and the entire party must have numbered some 250.

Thursday morning at 8, our special train started for an excursion through the great oil region. The programme being Oil City for dinner and back to Titusville for over night. Passing through the latter city, with a few moments halt, we in due time reached Petroleum Centre, which is the greatest oil producing country. Our train stopped at the famous Columbia Farm, where the officers of the Columbia Oil Co., and their brass band were in waiting for us. We stopped here about an hour, and were escorted by the band to the oil farm of company, which is located on the hillside to the west of the railroad. They now have sixty producing wells. This company is wealthy, and has erected fine churches and school houses for its own men, and besides keeps up an excellent brass band. Mr. Bolton, the Superintendent, and Mr. Bancroft, the manager, had the kindness to accompany us over their farm and show us the whole modus operandi of boring for oil and pumping wells, &c., and then placed their band on our train to accompany us through the Oil Creek region to Oil City. The country between Titusville and Oil City looks like a vast cemetery, the derricks representing the monuments—in many sections they stand as thick as tomb-stones in a graveyard, and fringe the very tops of the mountains. A short distance below Titusville the Drake well stands, the first well that was sunk. It is not now producing.

We reached Oil City at noon. Our train stopped a short distance beyond, to afford us an opportunity to inspect the Emperial refinery, the largest in the world. Mr. Pitcairn, president of the company, and Mr. Gracie, superintendent, (who, with Mayor Sowers and a committee of the Oil City council, had joined our party at Pioneer,) conducted us to the refinery and explained the entire process of refining oil. Our train then backed up to the city. Assembled in the parlor of the Taylor house, Mayor Sowers in a neat speech, bade us welcome as guests of the city. Our party was then assigned to the different hotels, where sumptuous dinners were in waiting. At 3 p. m. we started back for Titusville, leaving to the generous hearted people of this bustling railroad centre our loudest cheers and warmest thanks. Thus on our trips up and down Oil creek, every opportunity was afforded to see the notable sights, which were pointed out to us as we passed along, by some of the oil princes who accompanied us.

At 4 p. m., we reached the grand city of Titusville, where live the oil kings and who have adorned it with a lavish expenditure of money. The depot was crowded with citizens; the mayor, councilmen and members of the oil exchange, with two brass bands, were there to receive us, and about one hundred carriages were waiting to drive us through the town. The streets were lined with people, and every countenance showed that our party was welcome. After our party were seated in the carriages, the line of march commenced, followed in the rear by the fire companies with their bright engines. We had gone but a short distance when a violent thunder storm broke upon us, raising clouds of dust and putting a shower of rain into the programme at this point. A wheel-about was made for the hotels, a few getting a slight ducking. We all felt sorry that our pleasant reception should thus be interfered with; but that was more than balanced by the evidence we had that the city of Titusville meant to give us a reception which never would be forgotten. We were proud to be the guests of such a city.

Supper came next in order, and as it was finished, the sky had cleared, the dust had been laid, and the air was balmy. The marshall and his assistants, with the city authorities, determined the programme which had been interferred with by the storm, should be gone through with, and the carriages were again ordered out, and soon lined the streets near the Parshall house, and the press party were again invited to take seats in the vehicles, and the procession moved forward through all the principal streets of the city. We all felt as though the storm was sent to add to the pleasure of the programme, for the evening was lovely and the drive rendered all the more delightful. In the evening a ball was given in the Parshall Opera House, which was a magnificent affair; the beauty and chivalry of the city were in attendance, and at midnight the banquet came off at the Parshall House. Next morning we returned by special train to Oil city, escorted to the depot by members of the oil exchange, members of council, citizens, and the Titusville bands From Oil City we proceeded over the Allegheny Valley Railroad to Pittsburg, thence by Penn'a R R. eastward.

The thanks of the party were voted to the Penn's railroad, the Oil Creek road, and Allegheny Valley road, for the special trains furnished, and also to their agents who left nothing undone that might add to our pleasure and comfort; also to the cities of Oil City, Titusville and Erie, for the kind treatment received at their hands.

THE WAY THE INDIANS POISON THEIR ARROWS.—Mr. Lo, the Indian is a remarkably ingenious fellow in the preparation of materials of war. Here is how he manges to obtain poisoned arrows: "With a piece of liver, fastened to a long stick, they (the savages) proceed to the haunts of the rattlesnake, and as soon as one of these reptiles is found the Indian thrusts his meat towards him, at the same time exiciting and irritating the creature with another long stick, carried for the purpose. The angry reptile now strikes furiously and repeatedly at the piece of liver, and soon the meat is charged with the poison. While the Indian is thus engaged it is necessary for him to be exceedingly cautious that the assailant does not become the assailed. If the mate of the angry snake should reach the Indian unperceived he will carry home a charge of poison in a way not desired. After the liver is thus charged it is placed aside, and in a few days become a mass of black putrid flesh. In this the Indian thrusts the arrows that he reserves for the purpose, these implements being specially designed for human foes. The poisoned arrows are not baited at the point, but at the end of the shaft, where it enters the barb, the latter being always loosely adjusted to the arrow. When the arrow is pulled out of the wound the barb remains, and soon infects tha blood of the victim beyond all hopes of recovery."

### MARRIAGES.

On the 4th inst., by Rev C. H. Reit at Aaronsburg, Mr. Jacob Whitmeyer of Northumberland, to Miss Elisabet Keefer, of Centre county.

### DEATHS

On the morning of the 3d inst., near this place, Eliza Lingle, aged about 65 years.

On 29th June, in Potter twp., Mrs Catherein Rankin, widow of John Rankin, aged 69 years, 11 months, and about 20 days.

On 28th ult., George Dipperty, aged 72 years, and 28 days.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of administration on the estate of Catharine Rankin, late of Potter twp., dec'd, have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having demands against the same to present them duly authenticated by law for settlement.

ALEX. KERR,
july12 6t. Administrator.

ESTRAY.—Came to the residence of the subscriber, near Centre Hall, on or about the 18th day of June, 1872, two steers, supposed to be between two and three years old, each having his ears tipped, both red, one having white spot on back. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take them away, or otherwise they will be disposed of according to law.

28 June. JACOB DINGES.

PENN HALL ACADEMY.—The next term in the Department of Academical Studies will begin on Monday, July 29th, at 9 o'clock A. M.

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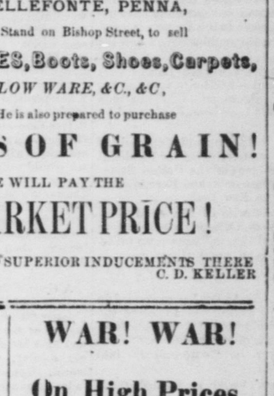

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Chasing the bird and bee,
And mid the apple-blooms young nestlings twitter,
Oh, think of me!

When in thine ear love's dulcet tones are sounding,
Bidding all sorrow flee;
When with triumphant hopes thy heart is bounding,
Oh, think of me!

Where'er thou art, in sunshine or in shower,
In misery or glee;
Whate'er thy destiny, whate'er thy dower,
Oh, think of me!

### Farm, Garden and Household.

WHITE MOUNTAIN CAKE.—One pound of flour, one of sugar, one cup of butter, one cup of cream, six eggs beaten separately, teaspoonful of soda, two of cream of tartar, then beat in the eggs and add the other ingredients.

TO DRY PUMPKIN.—Peel and cut as for cooking, then slice very thin, spread on tin or other driers, and expose to a moderate heat in the stove oven. Thus dried, the pumpkin will retain its natural flavor. To prepare it for cooking, soak it in water a few hours.

LICE ON CHICKENS.—I am a farmer's wife, and am very fond of raising poultry. I have always found the following to be a sure cure for the above malady. When the chickens are two or three days old, take a little salt butter and rub the top of their heads with it; once will be sufficient. This will prove a preventive also.

WATER FOR FATTENING ANIMALS.—A German physiologist asserts that animals which are being fattened, particularly oxen, should not be encouraged to drink much water, for the reason that, as has been found by experiment, "the absorption of water generates carbonic acid to excess, and trammels the formation of fat."

BUTTER PIE.—Cover your pie tin with crust as for custard pie. Take a piece of fresh butter the size of an egg, two-thirds cup of sugar, one cup of sweet cream, one tablespoon of flour, stir butter, flour, and sugar together, then stir in the cream. Pour in the tin and lay strips of crust across. Bake till brown. This is a most excellent pie.

MILK designed for butter making, as a rule, should be agitated as little as possible until the cream has risen. We cannot say that such a moderate agitation of the milk as would arise simply from skimming as above described would lessen the quantity of cream; but any excessive agitation has a tendency to diminish the quantity of cream. This has been abundantly proved by experiments made on milk, a portion of which has been retained at the farm, and the rest sent by wagon and rail to the city. In numerous instances, where a careful test of such milk has been made, the milk which has been less disturbed threw up most cream.

THISTLES.—Samuel Donaldson, Nobles Mills, Pa, gave the folowing as his plan of "not only exterminating thistles, but of receiving some benefit from the nuisance:" When I salt my sheep, as I do once in five or six days, one part good wood ashes, three parts salt, I go over part of the field and put a hand-ful of the mixture on each thistle and mullen, and the sheep eat them to the root. I know they learn to relish them, for when I go again over another part of the field I find a great many of them eaten with fragments of leaves lying around, where no salt had been put on. The application should be made before the thistles and mullens grow too rank.

POULTRY.—During the year ending Oct. 1, 1871, I kept an accurate debit and credit account with my poultry stock, and found that they not only "paid" but yielded 100 per cent. dividends. I charged them with "stock in trade," with all their food except table refuse, expense of yard, (which was only $11.75, for I improvised a chicken house from a deserted pig pen,) for fancy eggs purchased, and for "medical attendance." On the other hand, I gave them credit for all eggs and flesh consumed or donated to our friends who did not have the luxury of chickens and fresh eggs, and at the end of the year I added to the account "stock on hand," and found that I had a large balance in favor of my poultry.

POTATOES.—An Indiana correspondent of *The Journal of the Farm* says he saved labor by dropping his potatoes in every third furrow and covering them by the next passage of the plow. Nothing more was done until the tops were about ready to appear above the surface, when the ground was thoroughly mellowed (and the weeds and grass all killed) by the use of a heavy two-horse harrow. There was a little subsequent cultivation and a little dosing of Paris green, and when harvest time came there was an excellant yield despite drought and Colorado bugs, and the fact that the potato crop in that neighborhood was generally a failure. The only drawback was a little extra trouble in digging, which was owing to the extra depth at which seeds were placed.

A COLD CEMENT for mending earthen ware, says a recent English work, reckoned a great secret among workmen, is made by grating a pound of old cheese, with a bread grater, into a quart of milk, in which it must be left for a period of fourteen hours. It should be stirred quite often. A pound of unslaked lime, finely pulverized in a mortar, is then added, and the whole is thoroughly mixed by beating. This done, the whites of 25 eggs are incorporated with the rest, and the whole is ready for use. There is another cement for the same purpose which is used hot. It is made of resin, beeswax, brick-dust, and chalk boiled together. The substances to be cemented must be heated, and when the surfaces are coated with cement, they must be rubbed hard upon each other, as in making a glue joint with wood.

STAGGERS IN PIGS.—"D. W. M.," Yorkville, Pa, had some pigs affected with stag gers; they ran around and dropped in convulsions. F. D. Curtis of the club said it was worms which caused this; if farmers would learn to treat their pigs just as they treat their babies, all this trouble would cease. Little pigs need as much care as little children and should be given the same kind of physic, only in double doses the same food and should be put in their little beds with equal care. Pigs are wonderfully like folks, more so than any other animals. Prof. Berthollet said, how did Mr. Curtis know it was worms? it was more likely to be the same complaint which made those pigs we read of run down into the sea and be choked. Mr. Curtis—well, physic it out out of them, that is all there is about it.

OVERGROWN HOGS.—There is not one single advantage to be claimed in favor of big hogs. There never was a monster hog which did not make the man who raised him pay for every pound he weighed. They do not furnish an ounce of meat gratis, but charge full price for every atom of their carcass. When slaughtered, it takes a long time to get one cool to the marrow in the bone, and then when the hams are put in salt, it is troublesome to finish them to the centre. Four hundred pounds live weight is as large as hogs should be in order to make good bacon. Beyond this size there is a loss, somewhere. Either the feeder, butcher or consumer is cheated, and as a general thing every one who has anything to do with the big hog will find, if he observes closely, that they are not so profitable as the smooth, nice hogs of only 350 pounds weight. A small head, with little, upright ears, and legs and ears delicate to perfection, are marks which indicate the greatest amount of food consumed; and it will always draw more readily the attention of every butcher.

HELPING CHICKENS OUT OF THE SHELL.—The Illustrated Book of Poultry says: "We formerly made many attempts at such assistance in vain, and, like many others, rushed to the conclusion that chicks could not be thus saved; but an accidental discovery put another face on the matter. *Keep the egg in warm water* (about 100°) while the assistance is being rendered, and success may be hoped for. The shell must be cracked very gently, and the inner membrane very tenderly peeled off till the chick be at liberty, keeping all but the beak under water until nearly clear. The operation must be performed in a warm place, and tenderly as if touching raw flesh; and it will be found that the water greatly facilitates matters, liberating the membrane if glued to the chick, and enabling it to be separated without loss of blood. The latter occurrence, nine times out of ten, is fatal, but if the operation be completed without blood flowing, success may be anticipated, and the nearly dead chick may be put by the fire in flannel, or under the hen, if a quiet, good mother—under her at night, in any case—and next day may probably be as well as the others."

### Items of Interest.

GOLDSMITH MAID trotted a mile in Boston in 2.16¾.

THE crops in Northern and Western Texas are very fine.

IT is said that one person in ten of the entire population of Virginia is a Baptist.

THE Texas democratic Convention passed resolutions in favor of the Cincinnati platform.

GOOD relations between President Thiers and the Right in the French Assembly have ceased.

WM. J. MCCRACKEN, one of the oldest pioneers of Western New York, died in Milwaukee, aged eighty-eight.

THE White Mountain Apaches, in Arizona, are again on the war path, notwithstanding the late peace palaver.

THE U. S. Secretary of the Treasury received the sum of $75 from York, Pa., as a contribution to the conscience fund.

THE seaport of Hamida, in the Japanese island Sikokf, was visited by an earthquake, and 500 persons lost their lives.

AT least nine-tenths of all the roofs in New York are nearly flat, and hence are capable of being used as private pleasure-grounds.

IT is reported from Geneva that negotiations are pending for the settlement of the Alabama controversy upon a totally new basis.

A TERRIBLE wreck occurred on the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, near the new freight house at Rahway. By the disaster two men lost their lives.

THE cholera has broken out in Southern Russia, so despatches from Constantinople say. All vessels arriving at this port from Russia are quarantined immediately.

THE latest news from Havana is to the effect that several engagements have recently taken place in the Eastern Department between the regular troops and the insurgents.

OF the furniture workers in New York city, 6,588 in all—4,624 are working ten hours—624 eight hours—1,248 are on a strike—and 175 have been discharged by their employers.

GROSBECK, of Ohio, and Olmsted, of New York, were nominated for President and Vice-President of the United States by Liberal Democrats and Republicans, at a meeting in New York.

THE divorced wife of Mr. A. M. Holbrook, of New Orleans, attempted to murder "Pearl Rivers," his young bride. The foiled woman wreaked her rage on the furniture, and smashed things generally.

CHAS. FRANCIS ADAMS has expressed to a reporter his willingness to accept the Baltimore nomination "if the platform is good and the offer spontaneous;" but he will never be "wire-pulled" into place.

THE miners' strike in Westphalia is spreading. The workmen of forty-two mines in the neighborhood of Essen and Bockheim have quit work and joined the movement commenced by their fellow-workmen at Dortmond.

THE east end of Louisville, Ky., was thrown into a terrible state of excitement by a mad dog, which ran through three streets, biting ten or twelve persons, including several little children. Some persons were badly torn by the beast.

AN old inmate of the Schenectady County Poorhouse was bitten by an insane man on the left hand about three months ago, and has been compelled to suffer amputation in consequence. The effect was very like that produced by poison.

REPORTS from all parts of East Tennessee, the *Knoxville Herald* says, agree in representing the present harvest of wheat to be one of the largest that has been gathered in that section of the state, and the quality as fine as was ever grown on the soil.

A TERRIBLE boiler explosion occurred at the Ohio Penitentiary, by which a large number of convicts were injured, but, remarkable to state, none killed outright, although it is thought some half dozen will not recover. The building was considerably damaged.

IN Berlin the labor movement has entered an ugly phase, and serious troubles are anticipated. On a threatened strike of the engineers, the masters have resolved to forestall the strikers by closing their shops and factories, thus throwing out of work both strikers and non-strikers.

A GLASS bottle, tightly corked and sealed, was recently picked up on the western shore of Block Island, and found to contain a piece of paper, on which was written: "Struck an iceberg at 12 M. to-day. Ship sinking fast. No hope. John Handerville. Ship Alice, Liverpool, April 7, 1872."

CAPT. COLVOCORESSES, who was murdered recently at Bridgeport, Conn., has in his will made one most considerate bequest. He gives $1,000 to the Selectmen of Litchfield, the income of which is to be expended by them in furnishing the paupers at the almhouse with secular and religious newspapers.

AN official despatch from Port-au-Prince reports that the German men-of-war Venetia and Gazelle took forcible possession of two Haytien corvetts, and held them until the Haytiens paid the indemnity demanded by the German merchants. There was no bloodshed.

A FRIGHTFUL disaster occurred at Marseilles. While the Spanish steamship Guadayes was lying in the port, crowded with passengers, her boilers exploded, and fifty-five persons were blown to atoms. The steamer immediately took fire and the flames communicating to the dock, a large quantity of cotton was consumed.

THE *Knoxville Herald* says that accounts from all parts of Knox County Tennessee, agree that the wheat crop will exceed in quality and quantity that of any year for a quarter of a century past—even the famous yield of 1857 not excepted. And what is true of Knox County seems to be generally true of East Tennessee. The quality of the wheat is excellent.

AT the Maine Democratic State Convention, at Bangor, Charles P. Kimball was unanimously renominated for Governor and resolutions adopted indorsing the Cincinnati platform and nominees. Mr. Kimball, in accepting his nomination, and also I. C. Madigan, who presided over the convention, made speeches in favor of Greeley.

THE new bounty law of the United States Congress extends the time of the second enlistment of the three months service men, who were transferred to the three years service, to the date of entry into the former service, and gives them the $100 bounty promised by President Lincoln, May 3, 1861. The number of claims of this character on file is about 20,000.

THE mother of Laura D. Fair is reported to be dangerously ill with fever in San Francisco. Since sentence of death was passed upon Mrs. Fair, Elisha Cook, one of her counsel, Harry Byrne, who prosecuted the case, Judge Sprague, of the Supreme Court, who was instrumental in granting her a new trial, and a son of A. P. Crittenden, her victim, have died.

### A Volunteer Crop.

After the Summer fallowing is done, says a correspondent, writing from California, the teams have a rest. The horses and mules are turned out to grass for some weeks, and about the 4th of July the harvest begins. It is then the rainless season; and the farmer gets his teams, his headers, his grain wagons, his thresher and his sacks and his men, into the field, and on the light soil cuts, threshes, and puts into sacks the grain at the rate often of 150 acres per day. Three "headers," which cut off only the heads of the wheat stalks, leaving the straw standing, and nine wagons to take the heads from the headers to the thresher, require to work them 23 men and 83 horses. With this force they get in 150 acres per day. The grain put into sacks is left on the fields until time and teams can be got to haul it to the railroad; or often until it is sold. It does not sweat, nor mold, and there is no fear of rain. As soon as the crop is harvested, the teams are hitched to a brush—six horses to a twenty-foot brush, which goes over the field at the rate of 40 acres a day. This brush scatters the grain which has been dropped in the fields; and sometimes a little more seed is added. When it has been brushed it is plowed—two or three inches deep—to cover the seed; and from this comes, without further care, what is called a "volunteer" crop, which is often better than the first, and is as certainly counted on. Now the horses and men have another interval of rest until the rains begin and plowing recommences. Thus, as one farmer pointed out to me, they have work for their teams almost the whole year, and have no horses eating their heads off in idleness. In the heavier soils, the volunteer crop is put in with the harrow instead of the brush; and this followed by a "chisel cultivator," having from seven to thirteen teeth, four inches deep. If these leave the ground rough, it is again harrowed.

A USEFUL DRUG.—Ammonia, or as it is generally called, spirits of hartshorn, is a powerful alkali, and dissolves grease and dirt with great ease. It has lately been recommended very highly for domestic purposes. For washing paint, put a tablespoonful in a quart of moderately hot water, dip in a flannel cloth and then wipe off the woodwork; no scrubbing will be necessary. For taking grease spots from any fabric, use the ammonia nearly pure, then lay white blotting paper over the spot and iron it lightly. In washing lace put about twelve drops in a pint of warm suds. To clean silver, mix two tablespoonfuls of ammonia in a quart of hot suds. Put in your silverware and wash, using an old nail or tooth brush for the purpose. For cleaning hair brushes, &c., simply shake the brushes up and down in a tablespoonful of ammonia, to one pint of the water; when they are cleansed, rinse them in cold water and stand them in the wind or in a hot place to dry. For washing fingermarks from looking-glasses or windows put a few drops of ammonia on a moist rag and make quick work of it. If you wish your house plants to flourish put a few drops of the spirits in every pint of the water used in watering. A teaspoonful will add much to the refreshing effects of the bath. Nothing is better than ammonia water for cleansing the hair. In every case rinse off the ammonia with clear water. To which we would only add, that, for removing grease spots, a mixture of equal parts of ammonia and alcohol is better than alcohol alone; and for taking out the red stains produced by the strong acids in blue and black clothes, there is nothing better than ammonia. — *Providence Journal.*

A GRAND SIGHT.—The solemnities and festivities of Holy Week at Rome are ordinarily terminated by what most visitors regard as the grandest spectacle of all, and by what certainly is, as a pyrotechnic display, without a parallel in the world. The American Fourth of July fades into insignificance when compared with the illumination of St. Peter's. All the lines of the vast facade of the church—the roof, the ribs of the stupendous dome, the form of the lantern, and the cross surmounting all—are traced out with rows of lamps or lanterns; and as the golden light of an Italian sunset fades away, and the purple shadows of evening settle over the city, these are lighted, coming out like stars in heaven, until the whole structure blazes like a constellation. Every architectural line, every column, cornice, capital, every arch and entablature, are pricked out in fire against the sky. Fireworks of the most brilliant description are set off also from the neighboring castle of St. Angelo on Easter Monday night. It is difficult for any description to suggest the magnificence of the spectacle of the illumination of St. Peter's, because words cannot depict to the imagination the vastness of the edifice that is thus etherealized in light, and which seen from a distance, seems to stand, or rather to hang over the city above which it towers, "shining and glittering in the calm night like a jewel."

AN EASY LESSON IN PHYSIOLOGY.—Supposing your age be 15 years, or thereabouts. You have 160 bones and 500 muscles; your blood weighs 25 pounds, your heart is five inches in length, and three inches in diameter, it beats 70 times per minute, 4,200 times per hour, 100,800 times per day, and 36,722,200 times per year. At each beat a little over two ounces of blood is thrown out of it; and each day it receives and discharges about seven tons of that wonderful fluid. Your lungs will contain a gallon of air, and you inhale 24,000 gallons per day. The aggregate surface of the air-cells of your lungs, supposing them to be spread out, exceeds 20,000 square inches. The weight of your brain is three pounds; when you are a man it will weigh about eight ounces more. Your nerves exceed 10,000,000 in number. Your skin is composed of three layers, and varies from one-fourth to one-eighth of an inch in thickness. The area of your skin is about 1,700 square inches. Each square contains 3,500 sweating tubes or perspiratory pores, each of which may be likened to a little drain-tile one-fourth of an inch long, making an aggregate length of the entire surface of your body of 201,166 feet, or a tile ditch for draining the body almost 40 miles long.

INGENUITY OF ANIMALS.—One of the largest of ferocious animals in South America is the jaguar—a native tiger—*felis onca*. Besides being large and immensely strong, it practices extraordinary strategic schemes in procuring food, which indicate something above mere instinct, because circumstances are constantly requiring some variations in their foraging expeditions for prey. Humboldt says when they find a turtle they adroitly turn it over on its back. It is, then, helpless, and totally unable to offer resistance in that condition. With the most cruel manifestation of feline character, the jaguar then leisurely gnaws out the quivering flesh from between the shell and carapace. Another of the jaguar's reasoning manœuverings is to quietly follow the margin of streams. At the sight of a fish near enough to be approached, with a quick dash of its paw the game is thrown high and dry above the bank. Fortunately for the country, the jaguar has a match in the great serpents that infest tropical America. In the twinkling of an eye one of those monsters winds himself round his body, and crushes out life and cracks the bones into fragments at the same moment.

DOLLY VARDEN.—Dolly Varden, the locksmith's daughter in "Barnaby Rudge"—whose name is now applied to a style of dress—is described by Dickens as having the "face of a pretty, laughing girl; dimpled and fresh and healthful—the very impersonation of good-humor and blooming beauty." Again she is spoken of as having her "charms increased a hundred fold by a most becoming dress, by a thousand little coquettish ways." She is represented as having been attired on a certain occasion" in a smart little cherry colored mantle, with a hood of the same drawn over her head, and upon the top of that hood a little straw hat, tied with cherry colored ribbons."

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## OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

DEATH IN THE BAKE-OVEN.

AN atrocious case of supposed poisoning is now undergoing an investigation by chemical test, while the party suspected is anxiously awaiting, in durance vile, the result, meanwhile earnestly protesting his innocence. The facts are these: A baker who was accustomed, on his daily round, to leave hot rolls at a grocery store, came round the morning in question with the usual number of rolls for two young men employed therein, placed on the lid of the bread-box, all nicely powdered over, apparently, with white sugar, but the little "unpleasantness" in this case arises from the strong indications that as "all is not gold that glitters," neither is all white sugar that glistens on the top of hot rolls. The two young men, who were brothers, ate the rolls for breakfast, as usual, but with far different results from former occasions, for they were immediately taken sick, with all indications of poisoning, one very severely while the other, who ate only two rolls, recovered sufficiently to enter complaint against the baker and cause his arrest, while at the same time the remaining rolls were placed in the hands of a chemist, who thinks, from tests made, that arsenic was contained in the powdering on the rolls, while the baker, in his protest, declared that it was cream tartar, sprinkled on them by mistake of his journeyman; but the journeyman cannot be found, and as the brothers say the baker once threatened to dose them, he stands a fair chance of being held responsible for results. Poison has lately been woman's cowardly weapon, but if this proves a case I must conclude that man is following the criminal example of the weaker sex. But as the gliding, venomous serpent is weaker than the lion, so woman, if weaker, is often as deadly, and it become deplorable if to the prowess of the lion we unite the subtle venom of the slimy, sneaking snake.

AN AMUSING INCIDENT.

As I was crossing Fulton Ferry a few days since, while seated in the ladies' cabin, I saw a tall, angular female, apparently of the strong minded persuasion, walking down the length of the cabin, looking anxiously for a seat. But none was to be had; many that might otherwise have been available for the lady's accommodation being occupied by men, who either read their paper, unconscious of her presence, or looked at her in a very unconcerned way. This ungallant inaction upon the part of the male element aroused her Amazonian spirit, and the gray eyes grew grayer in their indignant sparkle, the sharp profile grew sharper, and the thin lips grew significantly thin and compressed, and from my proficiency in reading such faces, having come in contact with several of them, I saw that she was dreadfully in earnest, and shrinking myself into as unconspicuous an object as possible, I awaited the result. She passed me, but stopped before a waggish looking man seated next to me, whose face revealed a half smile that led her on to the attack.

"Sir," said she, "is this the ladies' cabin?"

He saw what was coming but dare not say yes, but with a mischievous twinkle in his eye, he put his hand to his ear, and leaning forward to indicate that he was hard of hearing, replied:

"Ma'am?"

"I say," she repeated in a louder tone, which attracted attention all around, "is this the ladies' cabin?"

"Oh," said the man, "they won't let you *chew tobacco* in here! You must do your chewing and smoking in the other cabin."

This, and the explosion that followed, completely annihilated "blue stockings," and she disappeared in the smoke of the battle, probably to "chew the quid of meditation, fancy free."

IDOLATRY IN NEW YORK.

Your readers know that the "Heathen Chinee," "Ah Sin," who played that little game with "Bill Nye," possesses in this country the privileges and benefits of his religious worship, and has his native temple and Joss house to go to and his idols to bow down before, but perhaps it is not known to any of them that in New York city there is a heathen temple of a stranger idolatry than even that of the Chinese. This temple is dedicated to the Egyptian worship of crocodiles, cats, dogs and other deities of the land of the pyramids and sphynx. The gods worshiped under these animal and reptile forms are Osiris, Isis, Horus, Typhon, Seraphis, Anubis and Harpocrates, and on account of the entire exclusion of unbelievers from a presence at these heathen ceremonies, your readers may draw upon their imagination and knowledge of Egyptian antiquities for their ideas of how the worship is conducted. Perhaps they have a sacred font filled with crocodile tears for baptismal purposes, as these tears are supposed to be quite common now a days, and many persons in the hollow, fashionable world receive the baptism of the marble heart in them. At any rate, the ceremonies would present a strange contrast to the divine worship of our churches, and not only strange but sad, and in the words of Tom Hood

"Oh, it is pitiful,
Of Christians a city full,"

that the darkness of heathenism should establish its ways in our midst. And yet, while our own civilization has its heathenish free loveism and kindred fanaticisms, we'd better not judge the poor worshiper of Osiris too harshly.

ECCENTRICITY OFTEN A MANIA.—That eccentricity often becomes absolute mania, is now conceded by all students of mental disease, and is pretty well understood by the people at large.—The only objection is, how great a degree of eccentricity may be allowed to co-exist with a perfectly healthy brain. The true and philosophical answer to this query is, in general, that any desire, passion, emotion, or special aptitude may become a disease when indulged in too long, or two exclusively, or under any unfavorable conditions. It is, of course, oftentimes very difficult to decide, in any given case, whether any marked peculiarity is the result of a very active and one sided development of the brain, or of actual disease. The general principal on which our decisions must be based is, that when any feeling, passion, emotion, or even a special aptitude becomes absolutely ungovernable, so as to make its subject regardless of his own interests, or of the well-being of his friends, when, as it were, it absorbs the whole being, so as to destroy what we call common sense, blunts the reason and conscience, and urges on to a manner of life and to special deeds that are repugnant to the average intuition of mankind, then we have reason to suspect the existence of disease of the brain.

IRON VERSUS BRICK.—In considering the proposition to build a church in New York for the Rev. Mr. Hepworth, a committee reports that an iron building capable of seating two thousand people on the ground floor, can be built for $75,000, while a brick building of like dimensions would cost $100,000; the iron building could be completed by Christmas; but the brick building would consume eighteen months in its erection. The superiority of iron here chronicled over brick is a fact which we believe is not generally known. When it becomes so we may reasonably expect to see a decided change in the appearance of the newer portions of our cities, but whether for the better is a matter of doubt.

DREW'S SPECULATION.—When Daniel Drew, on March 27 last, made his great bet upon the price of Erie stock by selling to Duncan, Sherman & Co. 50,000 shares at 55, the market value of the stock was 65. A few days since it was down to 52, so that Uncle Daniel could have taken it in and cleared the handsome profit of $150,000 by delivering it to the purchasers. He prefers to wait, hoping to make still more.

We perceive in a daily paper an advertisement which informs the public that boarding for the Summer can be obtained at "a large and shady brick gentleman's residence in the country."